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Mayor Thomas weasels out on his pledge to campaign for millage

Well, Mayor Thomas, wherever you are, thanks for the fine leadership once again. Our city faces many important ballot issues and you have not spoken to the citizens of Westland on any of them.

Last year, when the sanitation renewal issue first came up, you admitted it was too volatile of a time to expect the voters to support it. This year the council came to an agreement to put the renewal before the residents and I was in there when you insisted during the budget talks that you would back them up. You have failed to do so, and have thus failed the voters who are confused about

Nobody likes the rates we pay to dispose of our trash, people think voting against this millage will stop those high sanitation costs, it will not. A debt has been incurred and it will be paid, if not with the renewal of those millage funds, than with other city funds. Ask any council member, TIFA money was used to offset this debt last year, there is only so many times we can borrow from Pete to pay Paul.

But then again, Mayor Thomas is on his way out, what does he care? Keeping the citizens uninformed on this issue is nothing new.

CORRECTION

An October 11 Sound Off should have said that Michigan Teamsters Joint Council 43, which represents 21 locals, endorsed William Oakley for Romulus mayor. Another October 11 Sound Off should have said that Oakley received a \$3,000 raise last year and raises totally \$7,834 over six years. We apologize to Mayor Oakley and our readers for the mistake.

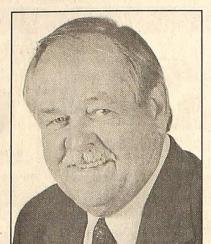
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William M. Oakley

William M. Oakley - began his second term as mayor in 1995 present. Oakley's first term as mayor ran from 1977 - 1983.

The Oakley Platform -

(1) Continue to build housing (2) Bring retail development to

(3) Revitalize parks (4) Improve recreational opportunities

(5) Overcome delayed traffic concerns caused by excessive blockages at train intersections

(6) Protect city's financial stability while keeping taxes low

Mike Wilcox: The #1 question would relate to the EDS deep well and now Sun Oil attempting to put up a well. What's your position on these wells?

Mayor Oakley: The hazardous waste well my position has always been I don't want it in Romulus. Now I'm kind of in the mood to support Sunoco well because I think it's that's our best solution to keep the EDS or hazardous well out of Romulus. It's my understanding the EPA has decided that if Sun drills their well then EDS well over here will be a conflict and they will have to close down. So, naturally I would rather have the one that's gonna work right from their building rather than the truck stop down the

Mike: At this point, can the EPA stop the EDS well since they got all their permits and are ready

Mayor: Well, they haven't got their final permit from EPA, as I understand it. EPA was down two weeks ago and talked in front of a group. What I understood they said that EDS was aware of the fact if Sunoco got theirs, EPA had made them aware that they would have to close theirs.

Mike: Is there anyway to prevent ... Romulus seems to have more hazardous waste sites than any other community in the area and there seems to be more applying to come to the area. Is there any way to stop this at all from the city perspective or are you pretty much handcuffed?

Mayor: Well, we're handcuffed with the ejection well because the state made it a law that they'll make the decisions where they can be located. As far as DES is concerned the state has issued a permit to build their well. But as I understand it they also told them they have to conform with our building codes and our zoning and stuff like that.

Mike: Aren't some other companies trying to expand like Michigan Resource Recovery or whatever.

Mayor: Yeah. In fact I think they have a hearing coming up in the very near future, I think. But I think they're in a situation where we can't stop them. And I don't know this, I'm just guessing, but I think they're grandfathered. They're there, they gotta expand their business; people higher than us decide if it's dangerous or not. I don't think we'll have much input there at all.

Mike: There's been a lot of pub-

Experience vs. Enthusiasm

Romulus voters must choose between Mayor William Oakley and School Board President Alan Lambert

By ANN PARKER

nacle Project - residents losing their homes to eminent domain; the county grabbing all this land and getting all the taxes. Again what's the city's position on all

Mayor: Of course, when I speak of the city's position, I'm giving you my position, because we haven't had any formal proposals for anybody to say yes or no on. I'm personally totally opposed to Wayne County trying to go into the

real estate business. I think it's

wrong. I've instructed some of the

people that's being condemned

that I don't think there's any au-

thority to condemn them for in-

vestment purposes. And I suggest-

ed they get lawyers and I think

some of them are in court right

little bit about this property Eggle-

ston owns. He owns less than 700

acres now. I understand he sold

some of it to a private developer.

And this is a piece of property that

he owns for 15 years, it's been sit-

ting. The city has sunk, the admin-

istration has sunk millions of dol-

lars in infrastructure into this

piece of property and the city's not

benefiting from it. You, I under-

stand, talked him into selling 80

acres to a private developer

(Neimer) for a development he's

planning to do. So that leaves him

(Eggleston) with about 620 acres

and he's sitting on it, he's doing

nothing. So, what's he telling you

he's going to do with this property.

just sitting on this property. He's

getting himself all tied up in law-

suits all the time about trying to

sell it. Right now there's some-

body that has an option on it and I

can't tell you the particulars about

Mayor: Well, first off, he's not

Ann: I want to talk with you a

lic uproar over this so-called Pin- leged to that. He's attempting to sell it to a party right now and not to my liking, because it's my understanding that Visteon would have located there if they could have dealt with the guy that had the option.

Ann: The citizens are still paying the bond issue for all the infrastructure that went in. You said you have a problem with this person he's trying to sell it to?

Mayor: In a roundabout way they are, because if we didn't use

Band O' Goblins!

Romulus middle students got ready for their annual "Meet the Band" concert. The program

also featured the new lights and acoustical panels recently installed in the school gymnasi-

um. Everyone was impressed with both the lighting acoustics and band performances. First

row left to right: Brittany Jones, Jetaun Robinson, Jonathan McLachlin. Second row left to

our TIFA funding then that money

would go in the city coffers. That

was created as a TIFA area and

the money that's accumulated

from the expansion from the time

the TIFA was created, that's the

money they use to pay their bonds

with. So, in theory that money

doesn't come from out of our gen-

eral fund tax dollars. It's paid with

the TIFA funds from that district.

Because it's my rumored opinion

that they drove Visteon away and

Visteon would have been a great

development for Romulus. If I

did he wouldn't have given option

to the one he did. No, I mean I

talk to him on the phone, but this

guy's a multi-millionaire you think

he's going to take advice from a lit-

tle guy like me who used to work

this election is that residents are

complaining about lack of retail

shopping and there's been a lot of

talk about this IGA supermarket

that's in the middle of downtown

Romulus and that it's closed and

Swaney lost his lease. People in

that area want that supermarket

back. And I understand, too, that

the Conway's have that building

up for sale and she's going to take

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the best offer she can get.

Ann: One of the hot issues in

with his hand for a living.

right: Jennifer Dick, Monet McCroan, Lindsy Green, Jessica Dick, Jessica Fox.

Alan R. Lambert - has been a lifetime resident; who is also a former city councilman, having served for 7 years.

The Lambert Platform

(1) Bring retail shopping, including a grocery store to the city (2) Bring restaurants to the city

for the community (4) Expand senior programs

(3) Build a recreation center

(5) Work closely with federal, state and local authorities to secure safety of Romulus residents



Alan R. Lambert

build a well, build it where there's not all these people. You're near the airport, people just don't need that well. They haven't convince me they even need it.

Lambert: It shouldn't come into the community because the community will suffer because of that well, that's just my opinion. So, definitely, adamantly, I'm opposed to the well.

Lambert: Do we have a chance to keep it out. Honestly, the chances are slim, but I still think we have a chance. I think with some of the surrounding communities helping us financially now, with some of the bigger politicians, senators and congress people that are jumping up maybe we still have a chance, I'm not sure.

Mike: So, if you were elected mayor you would continue that fight or would you try to settle with them?

Lambert: I would have to see what happens. But I would definitely at this point fight until there is no reason to fight any-Lambert: But I still think we

have a chance, even though its a slim one, you gotta keeping fighting - you fought all this time. I think we fight until the very end actually. Ann: Aside from this deep injection well issue, what other

kinds of environmental issues do you see affecting Romulus? And what would do you about those environmental issues? Lambert: Obviously, quality of

life is important. I don't see that many other issues than the airport maybe being an environmental issue, too. I don't see that many. Lambert: The well obviously is

the big one. I don't know, I really haven't thought. Ann: When you say the airport

do you mean the noise? Lambert: Yeah, the noise, right. Sometimes the de-icing, they put

in the retention farms, they're kind of nasty at times when you go by; builds on the road certain times and I know it smells bad. Lambert: There'll some wet-

lands I think should be left alone. Environmentally, I really hadn't thought of that. Those are a couple of things anyway. I would say I'm environmental friendly.

Mike: A lots been written about the Pinnacle Project. Some people think its good for Romulus and the surrounding areas, because it would bring a lot of business to the community.

Lambert: Other people are against it because it's displacing taxable land with non-taxable land ... eminent domain, some houses have been taken... Mike: What's your take?

Lambert: I'll be honest with you, I don't have enough facts about the Pinnacle Project. I tried to find out information and know one really seems to know what's

going on. Lambert: I talked with Debbie from the council and she tells me very little about it. Because they

don't know much about it. Lambert: Actually, I tried to get

hold of the county, I've tried to get

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the option because I'm not privi-

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vor of the well. Lambert: If you're going to

Mike: Why do you feel you're

Lambert: I'm a lifetime resi-

dent of the community. I know the

city. I was on the council for seven

years. I learned the aspects of

what it takes to run a city being a

police officer for 14 years. I've had

the opportunity to see all types of

different people in the communi-

changes to the departments?

their own people in.

opinion on all this stuff?

Ann: Would you make any

Lambert: I look at the issues

the departments have been hav-

ing and we'd probably make some

changes. It's like any administra-

tion comes in they want to bring

aware that Romulus has been

having this on-going battle with

EDS and the deep well and now

we have Sun Oil talking about a

similar type project. What's your

well. I always have been since day

1. My brother, in 1990, was one of

the original three council people

that voted against the well, along

Wadsworth. I've never been in fa-

with Mr. Gear and

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Lambert: I'm opposed to the

Mike: Obviously, you're well

Lambert: Secondly, I've been a

qualified to be mayor?

council person.

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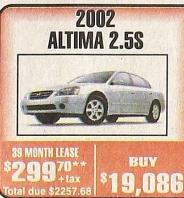
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LeBlanc, Lambert, Haidous our selections for mayor

Hotly contested mayoral contests in Westland, Romulus and Wayne highlight busy ballots in the general election slated for November 6.

The biggest contest which pits Westland city councilpersons Sandra Cicirelli against Richard LeBlanc, signals a new administration in Westland, after three terms of rule by Robert Thomas.

Cicirelli and LeBlanc are highly capable, political veterans, that sport a long list of accomplishments. Cicirelli, 49, an attorney who has served three terms as Council President, lists consensus building as her biggest asset. She has the support of the city's five employee unions and the Detroit Free Press.

If elected she would undertake a review of city department heads, keeping many, but replacing a few. She pledges to target road repair, empty commercial buildings and ordinance enforcement.

Cicirelli would make a good mayor, but we feel LeBlanc will make a great mayor.

LeBlanc, 42, has served on the city council and Wayne-Westland Board of Education. He pledges to make wholesale changes, including the replacement of most department heads. He is very determined to implement a vision that will offer fiscal accountability and responsive government.

Part of that vision would be to save the City millions by eliminating the take home of nearly 40 city vehicles. Additionally LeBlanc would immediately rally others to explore the possibility of pulling out of the Central Wayne County Sanitation or. Authority.

Where Cicirelli talks in genspecifics. He will not be the consensus builder. Instead he will carry out his vision with dogged that have been running city hall for years.

The State's 10th largest city, frought with two years of political turmoil that has included the ouster of the city clerk, the recall of two council members and the resignation of two oth-

ers, will need a decisive, toughminded leader to move forward. We believe LeBlanc is that leader.

In-Romulus, Mayor William Oakley is being challenged by policeman and Romulus School Board President, Alan Lambert.

Oakley who is on his second tour of duty as mayor (his first was in the 1970's), is a veritable encyclopedia when it comes to Romulus and city government. There's not much he doesn't know and combined with his notorious tough-fisted guarding of city monies, voters could do a whole lot worse.

However, Lambert brings a breath of fresh air to the political scene. Unlike the reserved Oakley, Lambert offers a friendly demeanor and doesn't pretend to know everything. He promises an open administration where councilpeople, staff and residents will have ready access to his time.

Where Oakley doesn't want to talk about certain issues and programs, Lambert isn't afraid to share his viewpoint. We were particularly struck by his concern for local business and how he plans to be Romulus' number one cheerleader in attempting to convince business and industry to locate in Romulus.

We believe it is time for a

Lambert, who served several years on City Council as well as the School Board, is ready for the new challenge.

We are supporting a change in Wayne as well. Mayor Robert Dickerson is facing a bigtime challenge from long time city councilman Al Haidous to become Wayne's first elected may-

Both candidates have served the city well in the past. Both eralities, LeBlanc offers are qualified for holding the highest office the voters have to offer them.

But we believe that Haidous determination and provide should be given an opportunity Westland with a new kind of to become the next mayor. First leadership. A leadership that elected to council in 1993, empowers a new breed of lead- Haidous would make the office. ers and not the same people of mayor more accessible to the citizens. He sees himself as a bridge that would provide citizens a direct path to the administration.

> Beyond mayor, Westland, Romulus and Wayne have spirited competitions for city council seats as well. In Westland eight

candidates are vying for four open seats, as well as three candidates are vying for two unexpired terms.

We favor Cheryl Graundstadt, Michael Kehrer, Charles Pickering and Mario Gracin for the latter. Graunstadt and Kehrer, although political newcomers, provide energy and good intentions, and in the primary, a capacity to garner a lot of votes. Pickering, a former councilperson and one-time mayor, is an independent thinker that will provide experience to the new council.

Gracin, a leader in the recall movement, has devoted countless hours and money to seeking change in Westland. He and his wife Brenda organized the recall effort, an impossible task, so thought many, that was successful against two councilpeople.

The unexpired seats should go to Robert Stottlemver and Bill Fern. Stottlemyer is one of the most capable councilpeople Westland has, and he should be retained on November 6. In the second seat we are asking voters to select Fern over incumbent Dennis LeMaitre. Fern brings enthusiasm and a sense of vision to the job that we like.

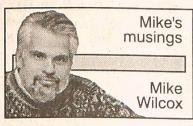
Romulus voters will select seven councilpeople to four year terms. All the incumbents are running for re-election and they are being challenged by six newcomers. We are asking Romulus voters to retain five of those councilman and add two new faces.

The new faces voters should select are Wandra Raspberry and Mark Lewkowicz.

Raspberry, wife of longtime councilman Jimmy Raspberry, is extremely knowledgeable about the local political scene and would be a good addition to the current council mix. Lewkowicz, another longtime resident and Romulus businessowner, would offer a fresh per-

Councilpeople Randy Gear, Debbie Romak, William Wadsworth, William Crova and Leroy Burcroff are our selections to retain their seats. Voters wouldn't go wrong in retaining incumbents Michael Prybyla or Donald Morris, either. Another strong non-incumbent is Barry Baumann.

The strongest field in year's is what awaits Wayne voters when



they go to the polls to elect three councilpeople. We believe all are capable, dedicated citizens and voters would not go wrong in selecting any of them.

Our selections include former State Representative Tom Kelly, former councilperson Al Damitio, and former mayor, Ken Warfield.

These candidates in our opinion, have the most to offer the city at this time. Kelly has served three terms as a state representative and brings to the council table the knowledge of working with the powerbrokers in Lansing. Damitio is an engineer who is meticulous in perusing the mountains of paper work council deals with. Warfield, as the former mayor, knows what each and every department needs.

Incumbents Pam Dobrolowski and Donna McEachern have served Wayne well. We're confident newcomer Don Hartford would be a good choice too, but overall, we ask voters to send Kelly, Damitio and Warfield to council chambers.

Belleville also has an interesting race for two council seats. Incumbent Kay Atkins, former city manager Kerreen Conley, and community activist Jeff Linderman are running.

Atkins and Conley are no strangers to controversy. Atkins voted against Conley's appointment to city manager, and then was part of a majority that managed to fire Conley from the job. Atkins and Linderman haven't seen eye to eye on the skate park project, as well.

That said, we strongly favor Atkins' candidacy. She has proven an able leader working tirelessly on council business. The second seat is a toss-up. We will leave that decision to Belleville voters.

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Follow the money Westland election

power in cities in Southeast Michigan is exercised openly by elected officials, e.g. mayors and city councils. However, when elected officials fall out of favor with the general public and either lose elections or choose not to run in the face of inevitable defeat, they often work behind the scenes to regain (or retain) their influence. Nowhere is this more apparent than in Westland.

As in many cities, the "establishment" power is evidenced in appointments to city boards and commissions, city jobs and in some even extends to control of school boards. In Westland it was all of the above.

However, earlier this year four members of the city council were forced out of office by a recall movement over the firing of a whistle-blower city clerk and the council's attitude toward public input at council meetings.

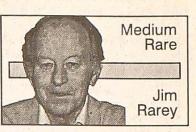
Two chose not to face the recall and resigned. The other two stayed on for the recall election and suffered a humiliating defeat by better than a 2 to 1 margin. Next Tuesday voters will choose their permanent replacements for four-year terms.

While the deposed council members are smart enough to realize a public endorsement of a candidate might be the "kiss of death" for him or her; plenty is going on behind the scenes.

Evidence of the establishment's support for several candidates can be seen through endorsements arranged, appointments to boards or commissions and most of all, campaign contri-While a candidate's backing by

the establishment does not necessarily mean he or she would be a puppet in office, it certainly indicates that the candidate's objectives and philosophy of government are, at the very least, acceptable to those behind the scenes.

There is an old saying that "money talks." While the deposed



officials are not talking publicly, money is sending a loud and clear

An analysis of campaign contributions in the primary election tells the tale. Only six of the candidates on the November ballot raised more than \$1,000 requiring them to file listings of campaign contributors. Two of the six reported direct contributions from former council members (Joe Eadeh and William Wild). Earlier. Wild was appointed to the Planning Commission.

Perhaps, most telling is a comparison of the two extremes; Joe Eadeh (the most obvious establishment candidate), and Mario Gracin, one of the leaders of the recall movement.

Eadeh raised \$9,220 all from contributions. Gracin raised \$6,996 of which \$2,500 was his own money.

Out of Eadeh's total about \$3,000 came from Westland residents while over \$6,000 was donated from other cities.

Gracin raised \$3,776 in individual contributions from Westland residents and \$200 from outside Westland. Eadeh got \$2,800 from city employees and former officials, Gracin none.

Eadeh got \$2,300 from lawyers and \$1,700 from builders and contractors, all from outside of Westland. Gracin received none from those sources inside or outside of Westland

Only one candidate raised more money than Eadeh, Cheryl Graunstadt who reported \$9,980 of which \$7,190 came from her.

It is true that money talks, the question is: Are Westland voters listening?

Police, firefighters support

To the editor:

We are writing to clarify some gross misstatements of fact that are being spread by Richard LeBlanc and his supporters about our unions' endorsements of his opponent Sandra Cicirelli. Both Mr. LeBlanc and Bill Johnson (his running-mate's brother) have publically stated that promises were made to our unions by Sandra Cicirelli in order to get our endorsement. That is not true.

Both candidates requested our endorsement. Each union met with both candidates. At no time did we make any requests of either candidate. Neither candidate made any promises.

Recently, Mr. LeBlanc's campaign mailed literature, which indicated a split in the Police Department reference to support for Sandra Cicirelli.

It should be known that the Police Department is budgeted for 105 police officers, only 18 of those people signed that recent piece of literature, by far the vast majority supports Sandra Cicirelli.

No union in this city would

ever condition its endorsement on promises. It is insulting and demeaning to those of us who regularly put our lives on the line.

These falsehoods support our contention that Sandra Cicirelli is the candidate of integrity and honesty. Sandra Cicirelli is the most qualified and experienced candidate for mayor. She is the person that we as public safety officers want to work with as mayor to protect the residents of this city. In this time of uncertainty in

our country, Sandra Cicirelli is the person we trust and want to lead us. We urge you to vote for Sandra Cicirelli for mayor on November 6, 2001.

Ed Hosmer Westland Firefighters Association president

Ken Kline Westland Police Officers Association president

Alan Ramsden Westland Lieutenants and Sergeants Association president



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To the editor:

In less than two weeks, we will be going to the polls to elect a new mayor and six new councilmen for our city. I'd like to share some thoughts with you on this election and ask your consideration of one mayoral candidate, Richard LeBlanc.

While there are many who will urge you to vote for their candidate, few can honestly say they know the two mayoral candidates as well as I do. As you know, I served with both candidates on the city council until I began serving you in the Michigan State Legislature. I had the unique opportunity to observe and work with both Councilwoman Cicirelli and Councilman LeBlanc.

I must tell you there has never been a greater difference between two candidates in our city's histo-

Only Richard LeBlanc took extraordinary efforts to make himself accessible to our citizens. This included keeping his phone numcitizens to contact him and not waiting until election year to do

Regularly Councilman LeBlanc would call to tell me of a problem or complaint which had been brought to him by a citizen asking for help. Many times we would visit the citizens together to attempt to resolve the problem to find that we were the only councilmen to respond. Countless times citizens have stated this at city council

Only Richard LeBlanc had the courage to challenge the status quo and work to make necessary changes to make our city government more responsive and efficient. Many times that meant it was he and I that stood alone on key votes.

Only Richard LeBlanc chose to do the right thing for our city instead of favoring political friends. This was particularly evident when it came to development projects, sale of city land, waiving orOnly Richard LeBlanc had the

courage to take the tough stands. on issues, which he knew would be politically costly with some city employees and appointees. Richard and I have always believed our citizens best interests should be put first. During the course of elections

many candidates make promises to get endorsements that our city cannot afford. This has never been more true than in this election. To the contrary, only Richard has committed to ending taxpayerfunded vehicles to dozens of city employees. This is the courageous leadership our city needs.

It is for these and many, many other reasons that I urge you to put our city in the hands of someone who is honest, sincere, and really cares about our community. Richard LeBlanc knows, like I, that the future of our city depends on courageous leadership as we face an uncertain future. Someone who will put our city first and

Those that know me, know that

I have dedicated myself to serving our community and have been truly humbled by the trust you continue to place in me. I do not take that trust lightly and choose those I support and recommend very carefully. I urge you not to place our good city in the hands of those who have used their positions for self-gain. You can be assured that there are those whose involvement in this election for mayor are doing so for very selfbenefiting reasons. I ask you to support Richard LeBlanc for our next mayor so we can continue to move our city forward. We need someone in the mayor's office of our city who will rise above the politics we have experienced in vears past.

I urge you to join with me, on November 6th, and vote for Richard LeBlanc for mayor.

Sincerely, Glenn S. Anderson State Representative

SOUND OFF EXTRA

Support for NYC Firefighters should **NOT** be criticized

I am responding to a Sound-Off article in the October 4-10 issue. The Westland Firefighters were criticized for collecting donations

for the firefighters in New York City. I was disgusted when I read this. It doesn't matter whether you send your donation "through the mail," as the person said they did, or if you placed it in the firefighter's boot. The main point of that collection was to SUPPORT your fellow Americans!

Thousands of lives were lost on

Sept. 11, 2001, many of those were firefighters and policemen who risked THEIR lives to save OTH-ERS! The Westland Firefighters showed their pride and support of

their fellow brothers in NY, who lost their lives and the many that are still working to make things better. Hanging an American Flag on the fire truck isn't wrong either, when I saw it when I drove by I appreciated the symbolism behind

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

UAW Region 1A approved LeBlanc endorsement

To the editor:

This is an open letter to all UAW members in the City of West-

In a recent letter to the editor, a fireman who says he is a union member accused myself and members of six other locals of doing something improper in our endorsement of Richard LeBlanc for

The fact is, we had Region 1-A's approval to make this endorsement. Had we not had the OK from the region, I'm sure Director

Gerald Bantom would have had all of us in his office the next day.

By the way this so-called union member, who happens to be a fireman, doesn't even care enough about this city to live here. He will, however, take our tax dollars he earns and take them to the community in which he lives in to spend them there.

I wonder what promises were made to the fireman for their endorsement of Cicerelli? Maybe a car and the free gas like she promised to allow the Police De-

sickening to hear this city employee, who doesn't even live in Westland, try and tell us who to vote

The fact that Cicerelli endorses all these giveaway programs doesn't bother him because he doesn't pay taxes here.

I believe this so called union member should have told the entire city that his candidate will receive close to fifty thousand dollars a year of your tax dollars toward retirement, including beneyears. All of us have to work 30. years or more to receive about half of that.

I also believe we are tired of lining a few politicians' pockets. The differences are clear. With Richard LeBlanc, you will get honesty and integrity. With Cicerelli, you get more giveaway programs (such as free cars, gas, and insurance for 40 or more police officers) and no-bid contracts for trash removal that we are paying \$60 a ton tipping fees for while than \$20 a ton for the same ser-

These are your tax dollars being wasted, and I would bet, if Cicerelli is elected, your taxes will go up to cover her giveaway pro-

Between the overpriced trash removal and the free cars (that some Police Department employees have and for which they are not entitled), I believe we are wasting more than \$1,000,000 a year. You can be sure these won't

partment to keep. It gets rather fits, if she is elected for just four other communities are paying less be the only give away programs Cicerelli will support.

Again, these are the endorsements made at the screening approved by the UAW

VOTE TUESDAY, NOVEM-BER 6TH

Mayor: Richard LeBlanc.

City Council: Cheryl Graunstadt, Mario Gracin, Mike Kehrer, Robert Stottlemyer, and Bill Fern.

In Solidarity,

Bill Johnson,

UAW Plant Chairman, C.A.P. Chairman Local

Wayne pipe-fitter endorses Cicirelli

To the editor:

To the residents of Westland, the building tradesmen and friends. We have a very important election coming up in Westland on Tuesday, Nov. 6.

As a building tradesman; and an active tradesman in the city, county and state; and as your friend, and a friend of labor; I encourage you to go to the polls and vote for Sandy Cicirelli for mayor of Westland.

I have known Sandy for many years. She is honest and does not wear two hats. We in the building trades and other unions have always supported Sandy - and Sandy has always supported us. She will be an asset to Westland. Please consider giving her your vote on Nov. 6 - you won't be sor-

Cliff Johnson Wayne

Semper Fidelis!

To the editor:

In a few weeks you will have the freedom to go the polls and democratically choose your next Mayor and City Council members. I will be voting by absentee ballot, as I am currently stationed at Camp Pendleton, in service to my country as a United States Marine. When I chose to become a Marine, my mom was worried and not so sure that it was something I should do. My dad, while concerned, knew it was a choice I had to make. We all have choices to make to serve our country, to preserve our freedoms, to uphold our constitution, and to make our lives worthwhile. Voting is an essential part of that freedom.

I believe that my father, Mario Gracin would serve his city with the same honesty he instilled in me, with the same dedication he has taught me to give to that which I undertake, and with the integrity he has taught we must have in order to be good citizens. It would be a vote not wasted, for I know he will serve our community in a just and honorable way.

I also will cast my vote for Richard LeBlanc for Mayor. I know him to be a honest and good man, who has done a great job as

a city councilman. PFC Josh Gracin United States Marine Corps Camp Pendleton, CA

LeBlanc, DeHart helped light up city

To the editor,

In the upcoming local race for Westland's mayor and a few city council seats, we all want people in these positions that will do what they say, what is good for the city, not to appease or because it may seem politically correct.

Over six years ago my wife was mugged in the parking lot of Farmer Jack located on Ford and Wildwood by two men. Her purse was stolen along with her identity and peace of mind. This one single event caused us much stress and as you can imagine it took her a very long time to get over this event. To this day I still believe that if the lights were on in this parking lot, things might have been different. At that time there was no city ordinance or state law on the books that requires strip malls or other shopping establishments within our city to have their lights on during the hours of darkness. One would think, considering the site plans that are submitted to the city do show the locations "of illuminating fixtures" for the parking area during the development stages of a project, that they would be on at night, right? WRONG!

During this period having to contend with the legal ramifications of this incident, I contacted two individuals that were council members at that time [I thought they would do something, considering one is an ex-mayor and the other a former State Rep. for

Westland] - Justine Barnes and Charles Pickering, hoping to get an ordinance passed to correct this apparent problem in our city. I met with both, they talked the talk promising to take action, but surely did not walk the walk. As the old saying goes, out of sight, out of mind. Neither one did anything. I then contacted our State Rep. Eileen Dehart. During her term and with the help of her legal advisors, she drafted and sponsored a bill that could of cor-

meeting that took place shortly after our meeting, he mentioned this potential danger and was very instrumental in revising of our city's lighting ordinance. Hopefully this "change" will benefit someone in the future. Again, we say thanks to Richard for his efforts and concern for the community.

Sincerely, Vince Berna

rected this "Lighting Problem state wide, if passed. It never cleared the state house committee. She encountered a lot of resistance against this bill. Being the community minded caring individual that she is, I do believe she gave it her best shot she kept her Hoping to still get this situation corrected at the local level, Eileen contacted Richard LeBlanc, who in turn reached me. I met with Richard, explained the events that had transpired and was advised that he would step up to the plate. He did! During a council

City employee unions support Cicirelli

I am writing to explain why I will be voting for Sandra Cicirelli for Mayor.

Westland's employees have five unions. This includes the firefighters and police officers

unions. These employees are

with both Sandra Cicirelli and Richard LeBlanc. All five have endorsed Ms. Cicirelli. It is troubling that Mr. LeBlanc could not get even one endorsement. We do not need a mayor who is at odds with the city employees.

the people who know and work

We have had enough turmoil in our city. It is time to move on. While watching the council meetings on television, I notice that it is Mr. LeBlanc's supporters who continue to cause problems at the council meetings.

Edna Bradley, Westland

How long will **DeHart last?**

To the editor:

At a recent candidates forum, and again at the most recent council meeting, Eileen Dehart refused to tell us whether she will be running for state senate next year. Therefore, it appears most likely that she will be.

Meantime, Richard LeBlanc has been campaigning for mayor by riding Ms. DeHart's political coattails. For weeks, Mr. LeBlanc has been telling us that Eileen DeHart will be his assistant mayor if he wins the election. That Ms. DeHart is his "running mate" and will be part of his mayoral "team." I fear that a political deal has been struck by LeBlanc and De-Hart. Ms. DeHart allows LeBlanc to use her name during campaign season. In exchange, Mr. LeBlanc gives DeHart a nice job during the year she will be running for state senate.

Sincerely, Helen Stevens



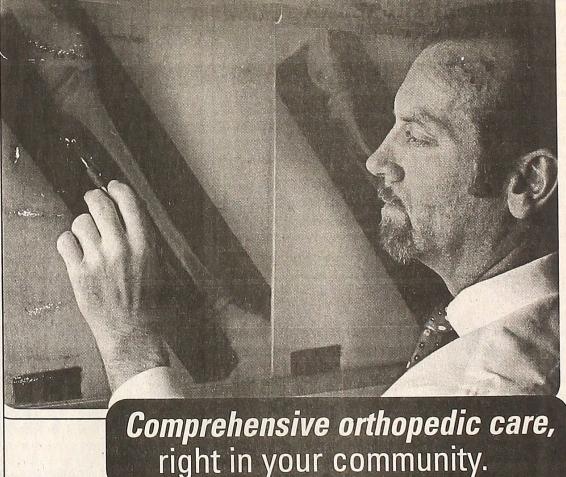
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In compliance with State Election Law 168 Section 798, a Public Hearing will be conducted on Friday, November 2, 2001 at 9:00 p.m. in the Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road, Belleville, Michigan for the purpose of certifying the program to be used in the counting device which will be utilized to process voter ballots in the Tuesday, November 6, 2001 Special Election. Said meeting is open to the public and any concerned citizens may attend.

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Vikings put 36-game win streak on block

their last 36 consecutive games, the Inkster Vikings placed a phenomenal 36-game winning streak on the block Tuesday night when the defending Mega-Red Division girls' basketball champs, Belleville, invaded the Viking gym.

"Although we would still have three more games left on our

Undefeated this year and in schedule after the Belleville teams," Mann stressed. game," pointed out Inkster High sophomore varsity coach Dave Mann, "a victory over Belleville Tuesday night would enhance our chances of winning the title outright. Belleville has won the last three conference titles and Coach Edwards (Kevin Edwards) has had exceptional talent.

In the first round, Inkster managed to escape the Tiger den with a cliffhanging victory.

The Vikings posted their 35th and 36th victory last week at the expense of Mega-Red opponents. Although Thursday night's 72-45 victory over Dearborn in the Pioneer Palace was a no-brainer, "This game means a lot to both Mann and the Vikings had their

hands filled against a determined and 18-13 in the final two periods. and upset-minded Trenton team last Tuesday. The Trojans refused to quit until the final minute when the Vikings managed to pull out a 62-46 decision to preserve their

Up by six (16-10) after the first period, the Vikings increased their margin to 30-23 after two, then outscored their hosts 13-10

Balanced scoring turned the tide for the undefeated Vikings. Four players scored in double figures. Junior foward Laelah Qawee

led the field with16 points, while teammate Keisha Young tossed in 14. Khadigrian Murphy chipped in 11 and Tiffany Smith added 10.

Inkster exploded to a 21-10 first

looked back against Dearborn. Mann managed to substitute freely against the Pioneers who fell behind 37-22 at the half.

period advantage and never

Only one Inkster player broke the two-digit scoring barrier.

Brittany Evans fired in a season's high 24 points in leading the Vikings to their 36th consecutive victory.

Canton survives scare, Glenn ousts Belleville

Novi takes Baechler, Chiefs to wire, 9-7

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

He knew it wasn't going to be easy, but veteran Plymouth-Canton Coach Tim Baechler wasn't expecting the outcome to be decided in the final seconds either.

But it did go down to the wire, that is, down to a missed field goal opportunity in Canton's playoff-surviving, 9-7, victory over visiting Novi Friday night. Novi's outstanding kicker Brandon Davis was denied an opportunity to salt the first-round Region 3, District 1 game away with a field goal when his teammates coughed up the ball on a fumble.

With less than two minutes left, Novi managed to penetrate inside the Chiefs' 25-yard line which was well within Davis's field-goal kicking range.

But the final two minutes of the Wildcat season fell apart as Novi's senior Quarterback, Matt Gorman, attempted to make good on a second-and-one situation through an option and was foiled by All-Conference back Dane Kobus and Matt Bennett who greeted Gorman together with a bruising tackle that popped the ball loose from the Wildcat QB's hands and inevitably ended their hopes of victory.

The ball was recovered by Canton's Mike Tomasaitis who was a step behind his two teammates. Canton got possession of the ball at their own 15 yard line and coveted the pigskin until the final minute.

The fumble, of course, proved fatal for the Wildcats.

The victory qualified Canton to play in Friday's championship round of District 1, Region 3's game. The Chiefs will meet a familiar foe on the home turf. They will host none other than Walled Lake Western, a team they had beaten earlier in the season. However, Western is a greatly improved team, according to most area coaches who predict a close

game between the two Western Lakes Conference rivals.

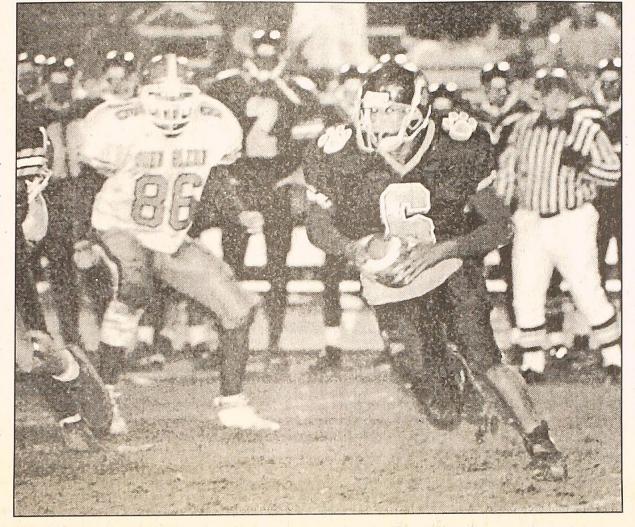
In the opening round, Canton had problems moving against a stubborn Novi defense and the arctic winds that swept through western Wayne County that made passing almost impossible against

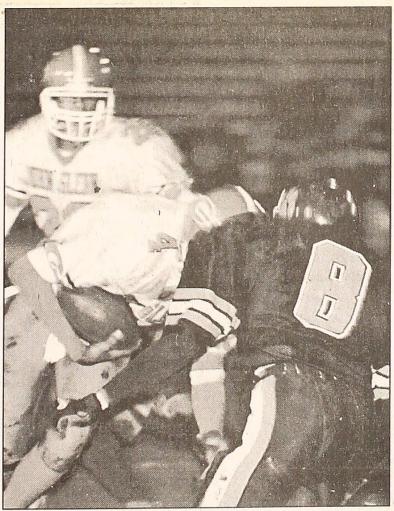
The Chiefs got on the scoreboard last in the opening half when quarterback Brendan Murphy teamed up with tight end Chris Smilo on a perfect 13-yard

TD pass. Seconds later, Dutch Morrell booted the extra point and the Chiefs were up 6-0 with less than 30 seconds remaining on the clock

Morrell came back in the third quarter with what proved to be the decisive play of the game.

After the Chiefs marched from midfield in 11 plays and the offense stalled, Morrell was called upon to kick a 29-yard field goal. He came through with flying colors.





Brian Ceckiewicz (4) prepares for a head-on collision with Belleville defender Ivan Kindall (8) during the first round of the Region 4, District 1 playoff game. After giving up a touchdown to the hosts in the first minute of the game, Glenn and Ceckiewicz came back and salvaged a 25-13 victory Friday night to qualify for the second round. The Rockets will host Monroe Friday night in a district championship game In the photo above, Belleville's senior quarterback, Jeriel Burrus (6) is off and running on a 83-yard touchdown after a reverse caught the Rockets speciality team napping. The Tigers were on the scoreboard within 11 seconds of the first quarter, but the Rockets came back with a ground game that Belleville couldn't cope with. Belleville ended the 2001 season with a 8-3 record, Glenn returns home to host the Trojans, who posted a stunning upset of state-ranked Ann Arbor Huron to qualify for the championship round. Photos by Carl

John Glenn junior quarterback

Canton places record 7 on all-conference football

Plymouth-Canton placed seven players on the all-Western Lakes Conference football team.

Western Lakes Conference coaches drafted four Canton standouts for its offense and grabbed three of Coach Tim Baechler's players for its defen-

Canton finished the Western Division season with a 4-1 record, losing only to defending champ and No. 1 state-ranked Farmington Hills Harrison. The Chiefs are 9-1 as they prepare for their Friday night at home rematch with Walled Lake Western in the Region 3, District 1 championship

Named to the 2001 All-Conference Offense from Canton are Center Tim Koerner, a 6-1, 220pound senior; Interior Lineman

For the first time in its history, Brandon Wright, a 5-10, 215-pound senior; Tight End Chris Smilo, a 6-2, 215-pound senior; and Running Back Dane Kobus, a 6-0, 215pound senior.

> Representing the Lakes Division champ, John Glenn, on the Offense is Wide Receiver Andrew Peiffer, a 6-3, 190-pound senior.

Rounding out the Offense are Harrison quarterback Drew Stanton, a 6-4, 212-pound senior; Running Back Marcus Woods, of Harrison (5-8, 180-piound senior) and Walled Lake Western's Steve Bell, a 5-11, 180-pound senior running

Walled Lake Center's Josh Mc-Farland was named as an interior lineman. McFarland joins Harrison's outstanding linemen Jason LyngKlip and Dan Bannister. Harrison's Agim Shabaj also was named as a wide receiver.

The All-Conference Defense is made up of Down Linemen Aaron Kennedy (Harrison, 6-2, 220pound senior); Mike Tolhurst (Canton, a 5-11, 230-pound senior); and Allen Feigel (Stevenson, a 6-4, 330-pound senior).

The end-outside linebackers are J. R. Durat, from Walled Lake Central who is 6-0, 210-pounds; and Canton's Doug Davidson, a 5-11, 215-pound junior.

Also named to the Defense are linebackers Chad Doerr (Churchill), Adam Dilley (Northville), and Justin Kasgorgia (North Farmington).

The All-Conference Defensive Backs are Terrill Mayberry (Harrison), Dave Condeni (Harrison) and Mike Pisha (Walled Lake Western), while the Specialist is Andy Siefert, an outstanding punter from Livonia Franklin.

Glenn grounds out 25-13 win over Tigers

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Abandoning its passing game in the arctic winds that dominated the tundra at Belleville High Friday night and spotting the host a 7-0 lead before a minute had elapsed into their playoff game, Westland John Glenn came back and continued its dominance over Coach Bob LaPointe and the Tigers with a come-from-behind 25-13 victory in the Region 4, District 1 first-round game before a crowd of 2000.

The two area opponents had met only once previously - in 1994, with Belleville and the Gold brothers in the lineup, Glenn managed to post a 14-0 shutout over the Tigers. It was the only time the two teams have squared off on the gridiron in the post-sea-

Friday night it appeared that Belleville would get its margin of revenge.

The Tigers quickly jolted the Rockets on the opening kickoff when senior quarterback Jerriel Burrus took the ball from teammate Ivan Kindell on a reverse and raced 83-yards down the right breaker thanks to sophomore runsidelines and didn't stop until he ning back De'Anthony Granberry, crossed over the Glenn goal line.

With a mere 11 seconds into the game, the Tigers had a 6-0 lead, and Chad Chudzinski's point-after kick made it a 7-0 ball game.

Glenn, which had had success in the air thanks to Ceckiewicz 's arm and wide receiver Andrew Peiffer, decided to leave the airways to the erratic winds, and played a ground game against a Belleville defense that had managed to gain notoriety for its toughness. The Tigers had won seven of their nine regular season encounters and owned a share of the 2001 Mega-Red Division championship.

Glenn came right back after the kickoff and scored with little more than five minutes left. Ceckiewicz gave the ball to junior running back Tony Davis 10 consecutive times and Davis managed to move the Rockets inside the Belleville 15, where Ceckiewicz faked on the 11-play of the series to Davis, kept the ball and scored on a 11-yard sweep. The Rockets

They have an excellent team and they have momentum

Coach Chuck Gordon

failed to convert, but now trailed

It was nemesis Burrus again that gave Belleville the lead. With time running out in the initial half, the senior QB breezed right through the middle of the Rocket line, thanks to a perfectly executed option, cut to the right and raced 56 yards for what proved to be the hosts' final touchdown of the season.

Down 13-6, John Glenn came back and grounded out a victory.

Ceckiewicz engineered a beautiful 13-play, 69-yard drive that culminated with a sneak and Peiffer's point after tied the game at

Glenn turned to its defense which managed to limit the Tigers to a total of four plays in the third quarter Glenn scored the tiewho has been the main thrust in the Rocket assault throughout most of the season, and got the insurance TD from Davis.

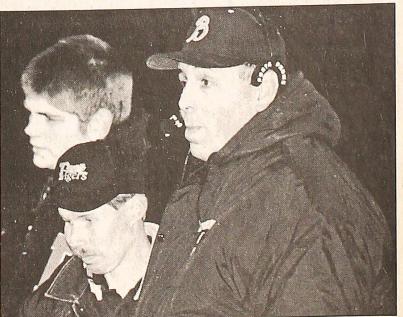
Davis rushed for 114 yards on 15 attempts, while Ceckiewicz managed to pick up two touchdowns one a 12-yarder, the second a one-yard sneak.

On defense, Nick Seymour led a team effort that was incredible after the first half.

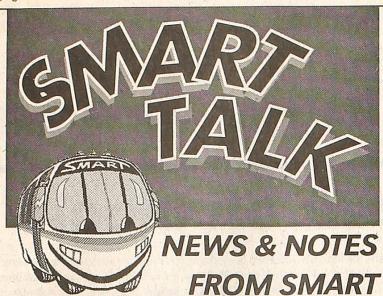
Glenn takes on an improved Monroe, which lost to Belleville in the Mega-Red but defeated Ann Arbor Huron with a second half rally, 20-19 in its first-round playoff game The Trojans came back after being down 19-0 to shut the River Rats out in the second half and scored three Tds to qualify for

the second round. "They have an excellent team and they have momentum," stressed Glenn coach Chuck Gor-

"But we also are coming off of an excellent victory at Belleville. Friday night's game should be a classic.'



The early smiles on veteran Belleville coach Bob LaPointe's face (at right) turned to concerns as visiting John Glenn turned an early 7-0 deficit into a 25-13 victory in the opening round of the Region 4, District I playoffs Friday night. Photo by Carl Brown



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Mega-Blue hoops

Romulus needs help to catch Willow Run

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Romulus had an opportunity to do the job Thursday night, but did not get it dome, so Coach Rhonda McAllister's Eagles will need some assistance fromother teams in their division if they hope to catch league-leading Willow Run down the stretch.

Willow Run, behind a deadly barrage of three-pointers in the fourth quarter, rallied from a 10point half-time deficit to catch the visitors at the three-quarter mark

They then went on to outscore the Eagles 21-10 in the fourth quarter to win the showdown between the two Mega-Blue frontrunners, 51-40.

"We had them up against the rope," said McAllister, who is in her first season as head coach at Romulus. "But we allowed them to get away. They shot extremely well from the three-point range, and there was little we could do about it. It wasn't just one person, it was the entire team."

Romulus jumped out to an 18-7 lead as Patrice Beasley and Tiffany Ash led the assault in the first period. Beasley and Ash each drilled eight points in the first period to spark the surge that opened the way to a 24-17 lead at intermission. But the Flyers came back with their long-range artillery and outscored the Eagles 13-6 in the third period to tie the game at 30.

Romulus could not silence the Flyers' attack in the last period.

"Anything they threw up there, it seemed, fell, while we were having difficulty making our percentage shots," McAllister offered.

Beasley and Ash finished with 17 points each, which gave them individual scoring honors. Willow Run's Erica Rawls teamed with Erica Brown, the Flyers' top scorers, were two good reasons why the Flyers got back into the game in the fourth period.

With the victory, Willow Run increased its Mega-Blue record to 7-1, while Romulus's dropped to 6-3.

"We definitely will need some help from the other teams in the league if we are to catch the frontrunner," noted McAllister.

Help may be on the way - Willow Run still must face two outstanding contenders in Allen Park and Ypsilanti. Both would have to defeat the Flyers in order for the Eagles to return to the title race.

In the meantime, the Eagles have three games scheduled for the week.

They played their makeup with Dearborn Fordson on Monday. The game was canceled because of the Sept. 11 terrorists' attacks on New York City's World Trade

Then, on Tuesday, McAllister's ball club had to contend with Allen Park before packing up its

gear and heading for Ypsilanti on Thursday. All was not lost for the Eagles last week, however. They managed to turn back Redford Union, 40-21, behind an outstanding team defensive effort, and Beasley's game-high 18 points. Ash also

eight rebounds. The Eagles led wire-to-wire against R. U. After jumping out in front 10-5 in the first and maintaining a slim, 18-13 lead at halftime, the Eagles broke it open with a 9-2 scoring advantage in the third and held a 27-17 lead for three quarters.

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The Eagles, cashed in on eight of 18 at the free throw line compared to R.U.'s three of 11 effort.

Western Lakes coaches select all-league soccer

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

When the Western Lakes Conference soccer coaches sat down last week to finalize the lineups for the 2001 all-conference and alldivisional teams, they had a wealth of talent to select from -Plymouth-Canton and Livonia Stevenson, which won their divisional titles provided the nucleus of the elite club.

Stevenson, with a perfect 5-0 record, surfaced the winner in the Lakes Division. Plymouth-Salem (4-1-0) was runner-up, followed by Farmington (3-2-0), North Farmington (2-3-0), Walled Lake Central (1-4-0) and Westland John Glenn (0-5-0).

In the Western Division, Canton coasted to an impeccable 5-0 mark and the championship. Churchill was second (3-2), followed by Livonia Franklin (1-4-0), Northville (4-1-0), Walled Lake Western (1-4-0) and Farmington Hills Harrison.

Conference coaches named

Farmington) and Mike Ramirez (Farmington) as defenders on the all-conference team.

The mid-fielders are: John Kaczmarek (senior, Canton), Ben White (senior, Stevenson), Jamie Miller (senior, Stevenson), T. J. Djokie and (senior, Stevenson).

Forwards awarded all-conference recognition include: J. T. Katikos (senior, Canton), Kevin Savitskie (senior, Salem), Nick Houder (senior, Canton), and Matt Konopinski (junior, Farmington).

The job of keeper went to Plymouth-Salem's senior, Tauio Palazzollo.

The Western-Lakes `All-Division Team' lineups are as follows: Defenders - Brent Kwiatkowski (senior, Plymouth-Canton), Brent Ciodgio (senior, Plymouth-Canton), David Novara (senior, Stevenson), Jeff Wilson (senior, Stevenson), Mike Hildebrandt (senior, Walled Lake Central; Mid-Fielders - Paul Johnson (senior, Stevenson), Brian Popeney (ju- Dave (Franklin), Mike Leach (North Northville), Robbie Harmer (se-nior, Plymouth-Salem), and



Glenn's Tom Cosgrove (60) on the run.

nior, Northville), Cory Muniga (senior, Churchill), Brian Emrick (senior, Churchill), Shinji Miura (sophomore, Walled Lake Western), Matt O'Kopny (junior, Farmington), Joe Russo (junior, Farmington), Jeff Shumer (senior, North Farmington), and Nick Ruppel (senior, John Glenn).

The All-Division Forwards are: Wendland (senior, Schmidt (senior, Plymouth-Can- Harrison), Nik Djokie (junior, three seniors - Jon Nettles ton), Peter Klausler (senior, Stevenson), Jared Lamborn (se-

Shane Smith (senior, Plymouth-Salem).

The Keepers picked are: Greg Musser (senior, Plymouth-Canton) and Chris Austin (junior, Livonia

Honorable Mention recognition (only local teams) was awarded to the following players: Canton - Zak Juntila, Jason Lenaham, Nick Rolfge, and Evan Baker; Plynior, Plymouth-Salem), Aaron Northville), Marjel Tani (senior, mouth-Salem: Jamie Zdrodowski, Jeff Bennett, Kevin Peurasaari, and Steve Shull; Westland John Glenn: Jeff Ballard.

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By TOM MOORADIAN

MCN Staff Writer

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Township:	
Precinct #1	Fire Station #1
Precinct #2	Fire Station #2
Precinct #3	Tyler School
Precinct #4	Belleville High Auditorium
Precinct #5	South Middle School
Precinct #6	Belleville High Auditorium
Precinct #7	Van Buren Township Hall
Precinct #8	North Middle School
Precinct #9	Haggerty School

WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the Wayne County Community College District be increased by one dollar and fifty cents per thousand dollars (1.5 mills) of the taxable value of all taxable property in the College District for a period of ten (10) years, 2001 to 2010, inclusive, as new additional millage to provide funds for all community college purposes authorized by law? It is estimated that 1.5 mills would raise approximately \$32,349,210 when first levied in 2001.

YES

NO

STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 3 OF THE PROPERTY TAX LIMITATION ACT, PUBLIC ACT 62 OF 1933, AS AMENDED. BEING MCL 211.203 Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act

I, Raymond J. Wojtowicz, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of September 25, 2001, the total of all voted increases in the tax rate limitation above the 18 mills established by Section

6 of	Article IX of the Michigan Constitution of obllows:			
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Wayne County Community College

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vorite player, give MCN Staffer Tom Mooradian a call at 729-4000 and provide him with the information that would support your nomination.

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Joannie D. Payne, CMC Township Clerk

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hold of Mike Petraska a few differ- say let's give some incentives to with this stuff to come into your ent times to find out so I can voice an opinion about it. But I really can't because I don't know enough about it, really.

Lambert: I mean I heard very little. The more I talk about it, the less I find out. Nobody seems to know what's going on. That is certainly something that I should

Mike: That in itself is a big problem, someone coming in here stealing all this land from the city.

Lambert: Yeah, exactly. I definitely have to find out facts here, because I don't have a clue to what's going on here.

Ann: There have been quite a few residents who are in court or have been in court trying to fight this eminent domain.

Lambert: That's the part I discussed with Debbie/Mrs. Romak and she's told me that. Obviously, if it's for private sector use they shouldn't be taking people's homes like that, I don't feel. That's the little bit that's she told me. But I'm not sure she's right on that ei-

Lambert: We've lost a lot of houses and a lot of businesses in Wayne County. They say we're taking this, good-bye, take care.

Lambert: You know they've ruined a lot of lives doing it. It's kind of this love/hate thing at the airport ... You like it for certain things you hate it for others.

Lambert: Unfortunately, you have to admit it's hot and cold. It's a generator for economic growth and jobs and everything else, but it seems like they take more from you than you get back. That's another area you'd have to look into.

Ann: There's been a lot of concern, a lot of complaining by residents about there not being a supermarket. We just lost the IGA market in January and don't have any other decent market in Romulus. People are wanting a market and wanting retail development in Romulus.

Lambert: I'll do the grocery store first. As far as that downtown area, if you take a look at our downtown area, it really is sad. Those buildings are old, they're ratty, they're in terrible shape.

Ann: People are going to Belleville and Dearborn and Taylor to shop. Tell me what would you do? What would you direct your economic development director to do to bring a supermarket here? Would you try to get something in that IGA market? What would you do to bring retail development here?

Lambert: I think they wanted \$8,000 a month to rent that building downtown. I mean no one would pay that.

Lambert: I would like to get the Downtown Business Authority back together, DDA. Have them buy that property. That would take all of those buildings down.

Lambert: And then you bring in a retailer or a grocery store. Look here's the property let's work on it. You build a store, you lease it for so many years.

Lambert: We give all those tax abatements to trucking firms and freight forwarding companies, I some store people. I don't agree with these rooftops. They've said for years, the mayor said we can't get any stores because of rooftops, we need more people.

Lambert: Because Van Buren has had less people than Romulus has for years and they just got a Walmart and a Meijer's Store and they've got a Kmart store over there.

Lambert: I'm saying if you go in and give those people a reason to come here. I think if given some type of incentive and work with them instead of pushing them around I seriously believe we can give them some incentive to work

Lambert: The DDA's got money. They would be able to do that. City's like Taylor do that all the time. They go in and use funds and tear stuff down and bring other people in to use that property. I think we can convince a grocery store chain to come in and the same with retail. I really do.

Lambert: You know they can go build anywhere in the country. I believe our TIFA is really just sitting there. All we use our TIFA for is roads. You look at other city's like Taylor, you gotta be creative

community.

Lambert: They spent it for all kinds of different stuff.

Lambert: Really, when Priebe, you knew Mr. Priebe, he used it (TIFA) for stuff that Romulus should be using it for Bring businesses in and help them with different things. And that's how I think you get retail and that's how you get grocery shopping.

Lambert: They're not just going to come and build here, they can go anywhere at all. They're looking for a deal, too. If you call and say this is what we'll do, we'll work with you.

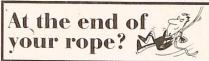
Lambert: We'll give you these incentives to bring you here, I truly believe it will work. I do believe if we got one here, the rest will follow once they see it can be sup-

Lambert: I'm convinced we can do it. I've said for years what's the TIFA money amount to?

Mike: Do you have any num-

Lambert: No, I don't have any

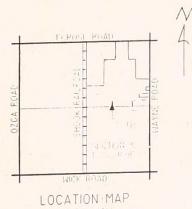
I haven't been able to come up with any. We've got a lot of TIFA moneys.



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CITY OF ROMULUS PLANNING COMMISSION **PUBLIC HEARING**

Please be advised, that the City of Romulus Planning Commission has scheduled a Public Hearing to be held Monday, November 19. 2001 at 7:00 p.m. Prevailing Eastern Time in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485. The purpose of the meeting is to consider PC-2001-039, a request to rezone 122.24+ acres on the south side of Ecorse Road and west of Wayne Road [DP#s 029 01 000 1000, 029 01 0037 000, 029 01 0043 301, 029 012 0049 000, 029 01 0057 300, 029 01 0071 000, 029 01 0072 000, 029 01 0073 000, 029 01 0074 000, 029 01 0075 000, 029 01 0076 000, 029 01 0077 000, 029 99 0003 000, 029 99 0004 000, 029 99 0006 000, 029 99 0007 000, 029 99 0008 000, 029 99 0012 000, 029 99 0013 000, 029 99 0016 000] from multiple zonings (M-1 Light Industrial, RM Multiple Family, HRM Multiple Family Mid and High Rise, 0-1 Office, C-1 Local Business C-2 General Business to M-1 (Light Industrial) zoned district on Ecorse Road and along the CSX) railroad tracks and to RI-B (Single Family Residential) zoned district.



All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 12:00 noon, Monday, November 19, 2001 and should be addressed to Bradley Raymond, Director, Building, Safety and Engineering Department, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 481741485.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

Publish: November 1, 2001

Re-Elect★★★ LeRoy D. Burcroff Romulus City Council November 6, 2001

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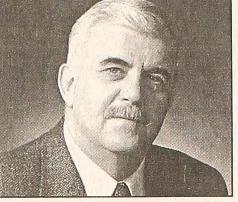
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During the 13 years I worked in Romulus as a Police Officer, I feel I know and understand the problems, needs and wants of all of the citizens, from the youngest to the seniors.

My wife Virginia and I have lived in Romulus for 30 years. Our sons all graduated from Romulus schools and we think it is a fine

community to raise a family.

During my seven terms we saw many positive things, new post office, paving of roads, completion of cable TV. I fought railroad expansion by CSX and won. Airport, commercial, industrial developments are important. But we must not sacrifice the quality of life for our residents. I stand on my voting record. Voting YES on second senior citizen tower, and more police and fire protection. Sue Metro Airport for flooding our subdivisions. Voted YES for improvement in all city services. I voted NO on residential reassessment, Deep Well Injection Disposal, any new trailer parks and I opposed any new residential tax to build a baseball park Many things are still undone and I ask your support for an eighth

> Thank you, Bill Wadsworth

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CITY OF ROMULUS, MICHIGAN NOTICE TO ELECTORS

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF ROMULUS, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a General Election will be held in the City of Romulus, County of Wayne, State of Michigan on Tuesday, November 6, 2001 from 7 o'clock in the forenoon until 8 o'clock in the evening, Eastern Standard Time, for the purpose of voting on candidates for the following office:

> Mayor Clerk Treasurer Seven (7) Members of City Council

and the following proposal:

Wayne County Community College District Millage Proposal

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the Wayne County Community College District be increased by one dollar and fifty cents per thousand dollars (1.5 MILLS) of the taxable value of all taxable property in the College District for a period of ten (10) years, 2001 to 2010, inclusive, as new additional millage to provide funds for all community college purposes authorized by law? It is estimated that 1.5 mills would raise approximately \$32,349,210 when first levied in

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the following statement has been received from the County Treasurer of the County of Wayne as to previously voted increases in the constitutional tax rate limitation affecting taxable property in the Community College District, to wit:

"I, Raymond J. Wojtowicz, County Treasurer of the County of Wayne, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that according to the records in my office, as of September 25, 2001, the total of all voted increases in the tax rate limitation above the 18 mills established by Section 6 of Article IX of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 affecting taxable property in the Wayne County Community College District, in said County, is as follows:

Voted

Raymond J. Wojtowicz

Wayne County Treasurer.

Date of

	Election	<u>Increases</u>	Effective
County of Wayne	August 8, 2000	1 mill	2004 thru 2009
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Wayne County jail	August 4, 1998	1 mill	2001 thru 2001
Wayne County Parks	August 8, 2000	.25 mills	2001 thru 2005
Wayne County Community	November 3, 1998	1 mill	2001 thru 2004
College			
Romulus Community Schools	November 6, 1990	37 mills	2001
Homestead	September 27, 1999	16.63 mills	2002 thru 2011
Non-Homestead	September 27, 1999	18.00 mills	2002 thru 2011
Wayne-Westland Community	June 12, 1995	18 mills	2001 thru 2010
School District			inclusive
Woodhaven School District	September 18, 1995	18 mills	2001 thru 2005

Signed:

Dated: October 2, 2001

Each person voting on the above must be:

(a) A citizen of the United States of America. (b) A registered elector of the City of Romulus.

(c) Eighteen (18) years of age or older.

The polling places will be open for voting from 7:00 a.m., to 8:00 p.m. at the following locations

eci	nct	Location
	1	Wick School, 36900 Wick Road, Romulus, Michigan
	2	Halecreek School, 16200 Harrison Road, Romulus, Michigan
	3	Lorenzo Burton Center, 35408 Beverly Road, Romulus, Michigan
	4	Merriman School, 15303 Merriman Road, Romulus, Michigan
	5	Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan
	6	Budgets Community Center, 7040 Shawnee Drive, Romulus, Michigan
	7	Mt. Pleasant School, 39000 Superior, Romulus, Michigan
	8	Lorena Burton Center, 35408 Beverly Road, Romulus, Michigan
	9	Fire Station #2, 7221 Middlebelt, Romulus, Michigan
	10	Cory School, 35200 Smith Road, Romulus, Michigan
	11	Mt. Pleasant School, 39000 Superior, Romulus, Michigan
	12	Merriman School, 15303 Merriman, Romulus, Michigan
	13	Romulus City Hall, I I I I I Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan
	14	Wick School, 36900 Wick Road, Romulus, Michigan
	15	Fire Station #2, 7221 Middlebelt, Romulus, Michigan
	16	Halecreek School, 16200 Harrison Road, Romulus, Michigan
	17	Cory School, 35200 Smith Road, Romulus, Michigan
	18	Romulus City Hall, I I 111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan

Public notice is hereby given by the Romulus City Clerk in accordance with Section 168.653a the Michigan Elections Law, as amended.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan Publish: October 25, 2001 November 1, 2001

OBITUARIES

BOATWR. GHT, BILLY J., 58, of Romulus, passed away October 17. Loving husband of Rose Boatwright. Beloved father of James W. (Jennifer) Boatwright of Belleville and Anna (Doug) Arney of Springhill, TN. Also survived by three grandchildren. He was a member of the Eagles Lodge in Van Buren and of the Steel Workers Union. Funeral services were held at Crane Funeral Home with Preacher Allen Jones officiating. Internment followed at Michigan Memorial park, Flat Rock

BROWN, LINDA, 50, of Detroit (born in Okolona, MS to James and Jewel Brown), passed away September 3. She leaves to cherish her memories her children Lawanda, Nicole, and Steven; grandchildren Brandon, Zhonai, Devron, and Saint; family and friends. Funeral services were held at Penn Funeral Home with Rev. Terry Hister officiating. Interment followed at Knollwood Cemetery.

BUCKLEY, LAWRENCE "RED," 49, of Romulus (born in Ypsilanti to John and Marie Buckley), passed away September 8. He leaves to cherish his memory his wife Adonna; his daughters Shannon, Evett, and Rhonda; his mother Marie; five grandchildren; family and friends. Arrangements were entrusted to Penn Funeral Home with services held at Romulus Community Baptist Church. Interment followed at Romúlus Cemetery.

CAMERON, NANCY E., 93, of Belleville (formerly of Novi), passed away October 21. Dear daughter of the late M. George and Isabella Rose (Smyth) Sanderson. Loving grandmother of Amy (John) Dolph of Belleville, Joy Lunde of Ann Arbor, and Mark Lunde of Belleville. Loved greatgrandmother of Cameron William Dolph. Dearest daughter-in-law of Lee (Bill) Jarvis of Belleville. Dearest Aunt of Patti Jo (Michael) Jarvis of White Lake. Sister-in-law of Vivian Cameron of Royal Oak. Preceded in death by her husband, Donald Cameron; her son, Donald Dennis Cameron; her sister, Mona Corey; and her brother, Duff Sanderson. She was a member of the Municipal Bond Women's Club. Funeral services were held at David C. Brown Funeral Home with Father John R. Hagen

officiating. Interment followed at White Chapel Cemetery, Troy. Memorial contributions can be made in her honor to the American Cancer Society or the American Diabetes Association for Research.

COPELAND, RICHARD LEON, 80, of Wayne, passed away October 16. Dear husband of the late Martha Copeland. Loving father of Sandy (Bob) Walton. Beloved grandfather of Keith (Debbie) Willis and Jeff (Michelle) Willibey. Dearest great-grandfather of Bryan, Brittney, and Cassidy. Dear brother of the late Glen Copeland. Internment and funeral services were held at Washtenong Memorial Cemetery, Ann Arbor. Rev. Herb Heavner officiated. Arrangements were made by Uht Funeral Home. Memorial contributions can be made in his honor to the Hospice of Southeast Michigan.

DEJA, GRACE M., of Wayne, passed away October 22. Beloved wife of the late George B. Deja and John F. Blaharski. Dear mother of Mary, Tony, Chris, Larry, David, and the late Mary Ann. Survived by her sister Ruth and her brother Al; fourteen grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Wayne. Arrangements were made by Harry J. Will Funeral Home.

ELLIOTT, DOROTHY P., 93, of Saline (formerly of Ypsilanti), passed away October 21. Dear mother of Walter (Carole) Elliott of Ypsilanti; Martin Elliott of Toledo, OH; Dale (Patricia) Elliott of Grayling, MI; and Evelyn (Jerry) Gorte of Empire. Dear daughter of the late Joseph and Lina (Poet) Monks. Dearest sister of Helen Petrowski of Romulus, Mary (Loren) Hansen of Canton, and Arthur (Virginia) Monks of Belleville. Also survived by twenty-three grandchildren, twenty-two great-grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by her husband, Martin G. Elliott; daughters, Thelma Whitt, Doris Shukait, and Melva Sieloff; great-granddaughter, Julia Sieloff; grandson, Larry McFall; three sisters; and one brother. She was a member of the Belleville First United Methodist Church where she was active with the Women's Club. She was also a member of Mom's of America. Funeral services were

held at David C. Brown Funeral Home with Dr. John N. Grenfell, III officiating. Interment at Union-Udell Cemetery, Ypsilanti

EMINGER, JOYCE CAROL, 61, of Westland, passed away October 14. Loving wife of Donald Eminger. Beloved mother of Donalda (Dave) Horsfield, Teresa Eminger, Michelle Eminger, Brian Eminger, the late Dennis Eminger, the late James Eminger, and the late Donald Eminger Jr. Dearest sister of Phyllis Hayes, Rose Roberts, John Fahringer Jr., and the late Ron Fahringer. Loving grandmother of Dennis Horsfield, Angela Eminger, Megan Horsfield, and Erin Horsfield. Funeral services were held at Uht Funeral Home with Rev. Robert McDonald officiating. Interment followed at Glenwood Cemetery, Wayne.

FRAZIER, MAXIE, 87, passed away October 13. Loving mother of Shirley (James) Parker of Romulus. Beloved Donna Parker) (Michael) Rakuta, James D. (Sue) Parker, and Dwayne (Chris Glass) Parker. Also survived by nine great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by ten siblings. Funeral services were held at Crane

GORDON, CARLYSLE, 58, of Westland (born in Milwaukee, WI to Edgar and Juanita Gordon), passed away September 18. He served in the Marine Corps and sang with the Impalas of California. He leaves behind to cherish his memory his children Tasha Gordon and Carlysle Pace; two sisters; his significant other Nancy Pace; family and friends. Arrangements were made by Penn Funeral Home. Services were held at Romulus Community Baptist Church with Rev. Hiram McBurrows officiating.

GREEN, EARNEST, 84 of Inkster (born in Thomaston, GA to Augustus and Francis Green), passed away September 12. He leaves to cherish his memory his wife of 57 years Beatrice; his children Earnestine and Johnnie Paul; seven grandchildren; fourteen great-grandchildren; family and friends. Funeral services were held at Penn Funeral Home with Rev. I. Odum officiating. Interment followed at Knollwood Cemetery.

GUINN, RAY LEE, 27, of Westland, passed

from 9:00 a. m., to 2:00 p. m.

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away September 29. Loving father of Chasey Renee Guinn and Karen Harp of Romulus. Beloved son of Kallene and Fred Foley; and Danny Begley. Dear brother of Jennifer Johnson, Danny Guinn, and Joey Begley. Loved grandson of Doris and Buell Guinn. Funeral services were held at Uht Funeral Home with Rev. Michael Enersen officiating. Interment followed at Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens, Livonia.

HUSTYI, MARGARET, 77, of Willis, passed away October 22. Mrs. Hustyi met her husband, Louis, at Western Market in Detroit in 1944. They married on February 10, 1945. They shared a lifetime of working side by side in their family business, truck gardening, and later established Hustyi Greenhouse (which is still in operation) She loved her family and was very strong in her faith. Also survived by fifteen grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents. She was also a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Whittaker, MI where she was an active member in the Women's Club. She was a member of the golden Ages Seniors of Lincoln and the September Days Seniors of Belleville. A funeral mass was held at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Father Nicholas Ritter as celebrant. Internment followed at St. Joseph Cemetery, Whittaker. Memorial contributions can be made in her honor to a charity of the donor's choice. Mrs. Hustyi will be greatly missed by her family and friends that loved her very much. She will be remembered as a loving mother and grandmother.

ISBELL, SAMUEL, 33, of Inkster (born in Wayne to Jerry and Damishia Isbell), passed away September 28. He loved sports and was a loyal employee of Delray Steel. He leaves to celebrate his home going his parents; his grandmothers Louistine and Pearl; step-father Levon; six siblings; his daughter Brooklyn (Brittany and Brandy); his companion Judy McGee; family and friends. Arrangements were made by Penn Funeral Home. Services were held at Resurrection Ministries with Pastor William Goodman officiating. Interment followed at Westlawn Cemetery

KYSER, JUDY ANN, 57, of Inkster (born in Kansas City, KS to Ulsey and Merlean Kendricks), passed away September 26. She worked for Wayne County General

Michigan Election Law 168.759

Hospital and Oakwood Nursing Home until her health failed, she leaves behind to cherish her memory her mother; sons Michael and Derrick; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild; family and fiends. Funeral services were held at Penn Funeral Home with Rev. Kenneth Pierce officiating

LAMB JR., HOMER, 79, of Westland passed away October 20. Loving husband of Mildred Lamb. Beloved father of Jeanette (Dennis) Brant, Jeffery (Carol) Lamb, Michael Lamb, Bruce (Charlene) Lamb, Maureen (Rusty) Blanchard, Linda Lamb, and the late Wayne (Linda) Lamb. Dear brother of Marjorie Coleman, Richard Lamb, the late Wesley Lamb, the late Glen Lamb, the late Jenny Lamb, the late Maureen Smith, the late Gene Lamb, the late JOhn Lamb, the late Carroll Lamb, and the late Thelma Lamb. Also survived by thirteen grandchildren and two greatgrandchildren. Funeral services were held at Uht Funeral Home. Internment followed

at Glenwood Cemetery, Wayne.

LOVE, ISAAC, 98, of Inkster (born in Clarksdale, MS to George and Alberta Love), passed away September 19. He is survived by one brother Columbus; three sisters Alberdie, Lillie, and Rachel; family and friends. Services were held at Penn Funeral Home with Rev. Beverly Pittman

MORTZFIELD, LEONORA, 88, passed away October 14. Beloved wife of the late Elmer. Dear mother of Moreen (Robert) Burkholder. Dearest grandmother of Mark Burkholder and Robin (Greg) Thompson. Dearest great-grandmother of Garrison Loving sister of Leroy (Shirley) Wagner. Funeral services were held at St. John Lutheran Church, Westland with Rev. David Ferno officiating. Internment followed at Glen Eden Memorial Park Cemetery, Livonia. Arrangements were made by Harry

Romulus City/School Auction

Location: New DPW building, 12600 Wayne Rd., Romulus. Gates open Nov. 3 at 8:00 a.m. Auction begins at 10:00 a.m. Featured items will include:

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- Mercury Vapor Lights (from Middle School Gym)
- Vacuum cleaners (bag type very old)
- Various other mowing and cleaning accessories.

NOTICE CITY OF ROMULUS **EASEMENT VACATION**

Notice is hereby given, that the City Council of the City of Romulus has scheduled a Public Hearing to be held in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174 on Monday, November 26, 2001 at 7:15 p.m. for the purpose of taking testimony on the proposed vacation of an easement abutting lots 357 through 359 inclusive and lot 389 Romulus Urban Renewal Subdivision No. 1.

Written comments may be submitted to the attention of Linda R. Choate, CMC, City Clerk, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485, or telephone (734) 942-7540, no later than 12:00 o'clock noon, November 26, 2001.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

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CITY OF INKSTER INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for school district special needs and sports/field trip transportation for Westwood Community Schools will be accepted until 1:30 p.m., Friday, November 9, 2001 in the Business Office, Westwood Community Schools, 3335 S. Beech Daly, Dearborn Heights, Michigan 48125. Specificaitons may be picked up at the above location on Thursday, November 1, 2001.

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NOTICE CITY OF ROMULUS NOTICE TO ELECTORS

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF ROMU-LUS, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN:

Notice is hereby given that ABSENTEE VOTERS BALLOTS are available for the General Election to be held Tuesday, November 6, 2001 and may be obtained from the Office of the Romulus City Clerk, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan for electors who expect to be absent from the community, are physically disabled, cannot attend the polls because of the tenets of their religion, or are 60 years of age or

Notice is further given that Saturday, November 3, 2001 is the deadline for the acceptance of Absentee Ballot Applications, in accordance with Section 168.759 of Michigan Compiled Laws of 1948, as amended. The City Clerk's Office will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for the acceptance thereof.

"LATE" ABSENTEE VOTERS APPLICATIONS will be accepted from any registered elector between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on the day before the election, Monday, November 5. 2001 if the voter shall personally appear at the Clerk's office. Said ballot may not be taken out of the Clerk's office but must be voted immediately.

EMERGENCY ABSENTEE VOTERS APPLICATIONS will be issued to any registered elector prior to 4:00 p.m. on Election Day if he/she shall become physically disabled or shall be absent from the City of Romulus because of sickness or death in the family which occurred at a time that has made it impossible to apply for Absentee Ballots by the statutory deadline.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

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ELECTION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that 2:00 p.m., Saturday, November 3, 2001 is the last day that <u>applications</u> for <u>Absentee Ballots</u> may be legally received for the Special Election to be held on Tuesday,

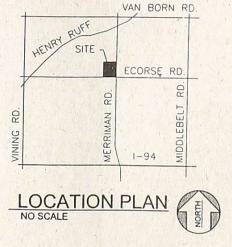
The City Clerk's Office will be open Saturday, November 3, 2001

Sealed bids for Snow/Ice Removal for Westwood Community Schools will be accepted until 1:30 p.m., Friday, November 9, 2001 in the Business Office, Westwood Community Schools, 3335 S. Beech Daly, Dearborn Heights, Michigan 48125. Specificaitons may be picked up at the above location on Thursday, November 1, 2001.

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CITY OF ROMULUS PLANNING COMMISSION **PUBLIC HEARING**

Please be advised, that the City of Romulus Planning Commission has scheduled a Public Hearing to be held Monday, November 19, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. Prevailing Eastern Time in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485. The purpose of the meeting is to consider PC-2001-040, a request to rezone .34± acres on the westerly side of 31414 Ecorse Road [DP# 012 99 0014 704] from C-2 (General Business) to C-3 (Highway Service) zoned district for dispensing of natural gas for



All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 12:00 noon, Monday, November 19, 2001 and should be addressed to Bradley Raymond, Director, Building, Safety and Engineering Department, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

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CITY OF INKSTER NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A SPECIAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN THE CITY OF INKSTER ON:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2001 FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING FOR THE FOLLOWING: WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT MILLAGE

PROPOSAL THE POLLS FOR SAID ELECTION WILL BE OPEN FROM 7 A.M. UNTIL 8 P.M. POLLING PLACE locations are as follows:

Precinct 1 - Baylor-Woodson Complex - 29115 Carlysle Precinct 2 - Baylor-Woodson Complex - 29115 Carlysle

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Precinct 2 - St. Norberts School - 27335 Woodsfield Precinct 3 - St. Norberts Social Hall - 27335 Woodsfield

Precinct 1 - Pilgrims Travelers Missionary Baptist Church - 2945 John Daly

Precinct 2 - Tomlinson School - 25912 Annapolis

Precinct 1 - Twin Towers - 2000 Inkster Road Precinct 2 - Daly School - 25824 Michigan Avenue

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'Cruel intentions' Plakas rips Patterson over funding

from Garden City who represents Wayne and Inkster, ripped State Representative Bruce Patterson, a Canton Republican, over funding of key programs.

Here is Plakas' message:

In the wake of the tragic events of September 11, everyone would certainly agree that airport security is an important issue that needs to be addressed. People who fly in and out of our nation's airport deserve to feel safe, and every single colleague of mine in the Michigan House of Representatives supports the President and the Federal Government in all of their efforts to upgrade airport security and provide travelers with safety and peace of mind.

Last week, unfortunately, one

State Representative Jim A. of my colleagues sought to exploit Plakas, a freshman lawmaker the terrible terrorist attacks against our country to pass legislation which would result in dramatic cuts to health care and criminal justice funding in Wayne County.

> My fellow Democrats and I stood unanimous, alongside some Republicans, to defeat the bill.

State Representative Bruce Patterson (R-Canton) proposed to slash the Airport Parking Tax nearly in half so the remaining revenue would then be used to fund airport security.

Moreover, when the good Representative originally introduced his bill last March, he wanted to totally eliminate the tax.

Ironically, after the events of Sept. 11, he decided to change the bill to only cut the tax, and use the balance for airport security.

Just take a look at all of the programs the revenue from the Airport Parking Tax fund:

Health Care Services for Indigent Residents, Out-county Dental Programs, Criminal Justice Programs, Immunizations and Nutrition Services to Women and Chil-

If Rep. Patterson had his way.

* 384 pre-sentenced felons would be released into our communities and 78 officers in Wayne County would lose their jobs;

* 4,000 people would lose dental service:

* 3,300 mothers and children be dropped from the WIC Nutrition Program;

* 3,600 people would lose access to immunizations;

* 340 seniors would not be in-

cluded in Meals on Wheels;

* The closing of the Library for the Blind in Wayne County would force citizens to travel to Lansing to use the only other facility in the

*Finally, Innovation and effective juvenile programs provided at lower costs than state institutions would be forced to shut down.

Patterson and the GOP would like nothing more than to undermine the authority of Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara, assume control of the Detroit Metropolitan Airport, and further diminish local control.

Unfortunately, they do not seem to realize that it is the thousands of working people and the children in Wayne County who are the real victims of these very personal and very political attacks.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Mr. Mooradian:

In response to your column, the Other Side of the Meridian, of Thursday, Oct. 25, 2001. In it, Mark Blackwell is condemning Ken Warfield and Cliff Johnson for posting signs on their property that support Donna McEachern and Albert Damitio. Mark is claiming the aberration of Democrats supporting Republicans to justify his statement.

First of all, this is a non-partisan election.

For those that don't knowwhat this means, let me explain. It means that there are no party distinctions, that is, Democrats, Republicans, Independent, etc. People can select the candidate of their choice, based on how they

feel about the individual, not their party affiliation. This means that declared Democrats can and do vote for declared Republicans and visa-versa.

Secondly, I have been a duespaying union member for over 40years and as such resent Marks claim that I am being told to go to He-Double Toothpicks, by two Democrats posting signs

Apparently Mark Blackwell has not been associated with a union. shop in a while. If he had been, he would have noticed a change is taking place over the past 10-15

Union members have become free thinkers and are using the brains that God has given them.

By that, I mean that all union

members do not vote the union party line anymore. Besides, I have known Ken Warfield since 1967 and I doubt very much he ever told anyone to go to HE-double toothpicks.

Lastly, Mark always prefaces or completes his remarks with a statement to the effect: that his actions are not politically motivated. If this latest accusations are not politically motivated, then what are they?

I think Mark Blackwell needs to get a life, preferably one that is not politically motivated.

Mark - you are the weakest link...Good-bye!

Sincerely, Edward B. McMurray

Rev. Joseph A. Stephens

Church strives for harmony

Using the Summerfest Festival success as a platform, church groups across the city are urging residents to "strive for harmony" in the city of Inkster.

Ruth E. Williams, a parks and recreation supervisor, and the architect of the Inkster Summerfest was applauded for her efforts in keeping the Summerfest alive, despite the shortfall of necessary funds to provide wide-city entertainment

At a recent city-wide breakfast commemorating the success of the summerfest, the Rev. Joseph A. Stephens, pastor of New Birth Baptist Church in Inkster, offered a stirring message to the group and urged them to focus on striving for harmony. He said that the city's rebirth can only be accomplished by people of all colors working together for a better tomorrow.

The audience also heard an excellent New Birth Mass Choir, hand-capping spirituals and the audience participated with its foot-stomping and hand-clapping.

The Summerfest Committee has announced plans that it will host its third annual festival next summer.

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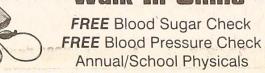


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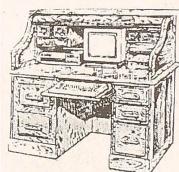
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Housing project is in jeopardy Richard Wooten, the city's information may cause a tempo-The city of Inkster has picked a Community Development Direc- rary setback in the city's plans it

developer for what historically has been known as the Green House site. The site is centrally located on Michigan Avenue, about a quarter mile west of Inkster Road. The site also was once one of western Wayne County's most popular Greenhouses.

And the developer is eager to proceed with the project which consists of constructing some 97 condominiums on a parcel of 13 acres of land.

All looked good - for the city, which would have new housing for a new generation of Inkster residents; and for the developer, Archon of Ypsilanti, which could turn its investment into capital

But there is a catch, mayor and council recently learned.

NTH Consultants, a firm that monitored the cleanup of the Green House site, informed members of city council that the state will not allow the city to build residential homes on the site because the land remains contaminated with lead. The lead must be removed in order to receive state approval for residential develop-

MDEQ would however allow a business venture to come in, under the stipulation that the land qualified for commercial develop-

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municipal mismanagement of city funds. None of her allegations stood up to the light of truth, as one of the investigators put it after the costly and lengthy probe.

Dickerson also noted that in some quarters of the city he is being asked why he seeks to be mayor when if he loses the title he would still retain his council seat The Netter Amendment stipulates that "no sitting council person would lose their council seat if they opted to seek the mayor's

office.' "I am running for the office because I feel that I have done a good job," Dickerson replied . "Do you vote an elected official out of office when they are doing the job? I really don't think so."

"I want to continue to serve as mayor. I have goals for the next two years and I believe the voters will support me on Tuesday."

tor, told council that although the didn't sound a knell.

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More Letters from our readers

Damitio will bring fiscal responsibility to City of Wayne

To the editor:

Al Damitio is a candidate for the council race that would bring a breath of fresh air to City of Wayne. Many will remember Al Damitio from his previous tenure as councilman. Al was the driving force behind obtaining DDA funds for the new library. While most others said that funds were not available to build the library, Al Damitio insisted funds were available and as a result of his tenacity, we were not only able to build a new library without raising the millage, but we also were able to convert the old library into a senior center.

Al's desire to serve has been reawakened by recent decisions of the city council. Al Damitio wants you to know that he is willing to serve the City of Wayne in a manner that will bring about fiscal responsibility. He is willing to be held accountable for his actions as a council member. Al Damitio is a clear thinking individual and be will give careful and deliberate

consideration to council matters. His integrity is above reproach and his work previously as a councilman in 1983-1995 gained the respect not only of the staff at City Hall, but the admiration of his colleagues.

Al Damitio's decision to run for the office of councilman fuels his unrelenting drive to see ajob to completion.

He has a clear vision for the future of the City of Wayne. It is his desire to see Wayne's continued revitalization, that the services to the public to be maintained and improved, and to give each matter considerable forethought before spending your hard-earned tax dollars.

Whether you agree with me that Al Damitio is the person for the city council or not, PLEASE PLEASE mark your calendars and exercise your right to vote on NOVEMBER 6TH.

Sincerely, Edward B. McMurray Wayne

Teamsters back Oakley

I have always believed that the "Sound Off" portion of your publication is irresponsible journalism. I feel this way because it is a convenient, anonymous forum for callers to take unsubstantiated cheap shots at others. At the very least, your paper should correct misstatements of fact when the truth is easily obtainable.

I am writing today as a result of two items in the issue dated October 11, 2001.

One caller to Sound Off voiced his/her outrage that I would "falsely" claim endorsement for the Teamsters. I do have such an endorsement. I have enclosed herewith a copy of the Letter of Endorsement, which I received from the

Michigan Teamsters Joint Council 43. Please note that Joint Council 43 represents 21 local unions.

A second caller attacked me because of the \$19,000 dollar raise that I allegedly received last year and the \$38,000 over six years I will supposedly receive. City financial records, readily available to the public. show that my raise last year was \$3,000, with a six-year total of \$7,834.

As a public official, I realize that I am open to personal attack I can live with that What I am unwilling to put up with are attacks from grossly misinformed or outright liars.

Sincerely, Romulus Mayor William M. Oakley

Where are Romulus' flags?

To the editor:

At the Romulus City Council Meeting on Oct. 22, I asked Mayor Oakley how he was coming along on getting flags for Goddard Road. At the meeting before, he gave me and the city of Romulus his word that he would get flags and it would not be hard to install them. It is on the tape of that meeting.

His reply to my question on October 22 was, very sarcastically, "We have flags in the windows of far as we are going to go.'

Did he promise us flags just to from the podium? I think so.

Julie Drennan-Broilo

all our city vehicles and that is as

Since then I have seen three city trucks and eight police cars, which are city vehicles, and none of them had flags in the windows. He also went back on his word to the city!

appease me and get me away

Romulus

SOUND OFF EXTRA

Paper should pull the campaign finance report on candidates

For two years people were worried about the good ole boys in the City of Westland. They talked about them constantly at council meetings. Then one gets appointed to one of the seats that were emptied by the people who were always talking about the good ol'

Now I know that wasn't their fault, as his buddies and Cox and Griffin nominated him and got him his appointment, but you think they would be writing up a storm right now to set things right.

Joe Eadeh, as much of a good ol' boy as Cox and Griffin were, cut from the same cloth, and lo and behold, Cox and Griffin also get another good ol' boy into the club, by the way of William Wild, who would like all the readers of this newspaper to believe he isn't one of them.

Both have talked about the Sound Offs in this paper and how this paper is a rag. Because some newspapers will print all of the truth and do the right thing in helping to keep our politicians honest. But this writer has a way you can all know for sure. It is called campaign finance reports.

They are open to the public. Go see who is contributing to these two men. Then you won't have to believe or not believe any writer to this column, you'll know for your-

To Mrs. McKinney you had it right on, and Bill Wild knows it. You were out in the open unlike some of his tactics, which you might want to ask one of the other candidates about who has been subject to one of the good ol' boy ploys at the whim of Bill Wild. Did you all forget it was his wife in the Silent Majority flyer that Cox and Griffin sent out to all the residents of Westland? Those two, along with the person they want elected mayor, are good ol' boys all the way. Hey, Mr. Helfman, Mr. Wilcox or Mr. Rarey, pull the records. You are reporters, give it to 'em straight.

Let Cliff Johnson take care of Wayne instead of Westland biz

In answer to Cliff Johnson's letter in last night's paper, I have been in touch with him for 18 years. He does not live in Westland.

Let him take care of Wayne and the citizens at large will take care of our own city.

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13 vying for 7 Romulus council seats

candidates competing for their

This year's city council election might very well be one of the most heated elections Romulus has seen in quite a while.

Six very outspoken and opinionated residents have decided to run for office because they feel the current council has not been responsive to the community's needs and that they can do a better job - whether or not that's true, remains to be seen.

MCN introduced all six candidates and seven incumbents to the community in the Thursday, October 4 edition of the paper.

This week, MCN has printed a brief overview of the candidate's positions and pictures of each candidate, new and incumbent sometimes it's easier to digest a candidate's viewpoint when there's a face to accompany it.

Barry Baumann - Baumann's already had a few spins at serving as a Romulus councilman. He was first elected in 1981; then re-elected in 1983; and then again in 1985. The Baumann Platform -

(1) Bring retail development to

(2) Bring more residential de-

velopment to the city (3) Build a recreation center firefighters

with bonds, not increased taxes;

citizen/recreation center (4) Ensure affordable housing

for senior citizens (5) Expand the fire department

(6) Ensure police department has state-of-the-arts equipment (7) Demand equitable treat-

ment from the Detroit Wayne County Metropolitan Airport and the County of Wayne

(8) Develop good relationship

with school officials (9) Establish youth commission

to help city leadership understand and help youth

Steven Lewkowicz - is a lifetime resident. He graduated from children Romulus High School in 1984.

The Lewkowicz Platform -

(1) Ensure that all buildings, homes, and roadways have approval of the building department

(2) Better communications between Wayne County and the city regarding air traffic of planes, air quality conditions; home property values, and mismanagement

(3) Negotiate a landing fee on every plane landing in Romulus

(4) Review lost tax base caused by airport expansion

(5) Monitor school spending to

bring down tax burdens on home-(6) Proposal to survey city

streets, roads and travel-ways, create traffic maps specify road use weight class and types of vehicles to be operated on particu-

Charles Miller is so adamant about fighting for what he feels are chronic issues in this community that he is willing to donate the untaxed portion of his councilman's wages, minus expenses should he be elected to a scholarship fund for deserving Romulus students.

The Miller Platform

(1) Improve the quality of life in neighborhoods, especially those in and near industrial and

trucking zones

(2) Stop the uncontrolled zoning of property against the city's master plan; forcing long-standing neighborhoods to coexist with trucking and industrial buildings

(3) Bring retail development, such as grocery stores into the community

(4) Seek grant moneys to build a recreation facility

(5) Will vote 'no' on issues that do not benefit the city of Romulus will not be a rubber stamp

Wayne County

Wandra V. Raspberry - Though she's hasn't held a political office before, she's been under the tutelage of two very politically astute gentlemen - and it rubbed off on

Raspberry plans to put some energy into addressing another important issue - the Metro World

Project. According to Raspberry, the administration has channeled a tremendous amount of taxpayer

City Council incumbents have 6 dollars into this project and so far residents have received nothing for their money.

The Raspberry Platform -

(1) Put money into older neighborhoods

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> (2) Monitor and clean-up environment

(3) Determine where surplus sewer maintenance money is go-

(4) Improve infrastructure roads and sidewalks

(5) Build a new senior citizen activity center

(6) Build a community recreation center

(7) Build a new police headquarters

(8) Buy motorcycles for police officers

(9) Bring retail development to the city - grocery stores and other retailers

(10) Bring public transportation to Romulus

Christopher A. Walock says his volunteer experience on the 1992 Clinton-Gore Campaign, the 1996 Dingell re-election campaign, student council and class congress while in high school, provided him with a strong political founda-

The Walock Platform

(1) Wants to see more full-time

(2) Continue to take a stand possibly combine a senior against the deep-injection well is-

> (3) Bring more commercial retail industries, like retail stores, restaurants, and consumer product businesses to Romulus

> (4) Stop the EQ Resource Recovery (EQRR) from securing a permit from the MDEQ to expand Born Road

Michael L Wojtylko - Mike Wojtylko has lived in Romulus for more than 25 years.

The Wojtylko Platform (1) Grow fire department

(2) Implement recreation for

(3) Bridge gap between City Administration and residents

(4) Ensure Romulus residents gets services from Wayne County that they are taxed for

from Metropolitan Airport

(6) Build a shopping center (7) Rebuild downtown

The Incumbents -

LeRoy Burcroff - is a lifelong resident and has been a councilman for 4 years.

The Burcroff Platform -

(1) Encourage development (2) Keep city safe and clean

(3) Enhance technology (4) Ensure fairness for Romu-

lus regarding airport (5) Ensure city dollars are spent wisely

William A. Crova - been a councilman since 1995.

The Crova Platform

(1) Continue negotiations with Detroit Wayne County Metropolitan Airport to increase their efforts to mitigate the noise residents are experiencing from being in close proximity to the air-

(2) Bring to fruition the Metro World facility - a project that's been under consideration for more than 20 years

(3) Build more roads throughout the community

(4) Keep communication lines open between the schools and the administration

(5) Build a recreation facility

Randolph Gear - just completed his sixth term of office - which equates to 16 years. Gear has been supportive of senior citizens concerns; reduced taxes; established neighborhood watch; D.A.R.E.; and Romulus Youth Assistance.

The Gear Platform -

(1) Increase safety and security around the airport and city

(2) Keep city environmentally sound - safeguard water supply

(3) Bring businesses and shopping downtown

(4) Build a recreation center (5) Build more single family

Donald R. Morris - is a lifelong current facilities on Van resident and is dedicated to seeing Romulus prosper. He has served on city council since 1997.

> The Morris Platform -(1) Morris wants to see balanced residential and industrial development

(2) He feels commercial development will continue because of Romulus' proximity to the airport

(3) Upgrade roads, sanitary and storm sewers, and water lines; without this, development will

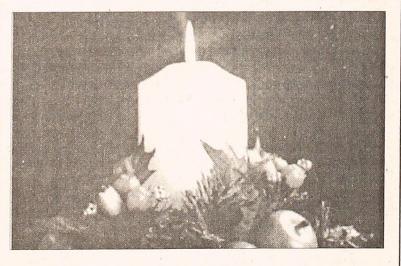
not continue

(4) Negotiate with Wayne (5) Ensure Romulus benefits County for equitable treatment relative to property and noise abatement

> (5) Ensure that residents don't lose zoning rights on property

> (6) Continue to lobby the state legislature to secure funds from the airport

See CANDIDATES, page C-4



LIGHT A CANDLE

'An Evening of Remembrance and Support"

Thursday, November 8, 2001 7:00 P.M. Harry J. Will

Funeral Home 34567 Michigan Ave. Wayne, MI

Guest Speaker: Kathie Carpenti Befriender Ministries

734-721-5600

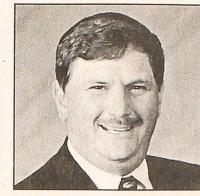
Since holidays are a time for remembering, we are sponsoring a special evening for those in our community who have experienced a loss this past year. To help families cope with

their grief, we offer our program, "An Evening of Remembrance and Support." Our speakers will offer some advice on how to adjust to the loss during the holiday season. The evening will conclude with a candle lighting ceremony. We encourage all members of the community to come and be a part of this evening.

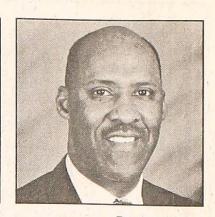




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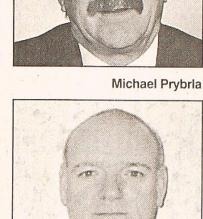
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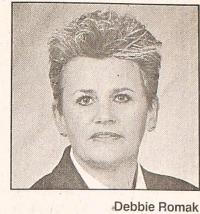


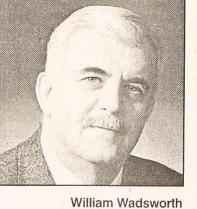
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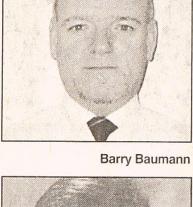


Donald Morris





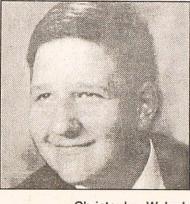








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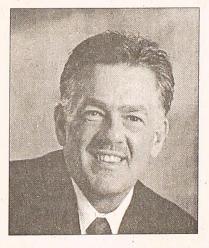


Christopher Walock



for Mayor

Michael Wojtylko



About Al Lambert

- A lifelong Romulus resident
- · A father of five; grandfather to one Seven years as a Romulus City Councilman
- Fourteen years as a Romulus Police Officer · Three and a half years as a Romulus
- Public Schools Trustee

Twenty years as a civic volunteer and leader

I am seeking the office of Mayor of Romulus and I am counting on your support. These are critical times for our country and our city. As a result, old, outdated solutions will not work in a changing and challenging

I am a lifelong resident of Romulus - and most of you know me, and some of you have known me all of my You know that I have a long record of public service. I served seven years on the City Council, I am the current president of the Romulus Board of Education and for the last 14 years, I have been a Romulus Police Officer.

am familiar with city operations, and am uniquely trained and qualified to undertake the leadership role in a city with an international airport in its midst and an enormous trucking industry surrounding it. In these times, we have many people facing an uncertain future, needing assistance and reassurance. am willing to take on these challenges - and on November 6, you can give me the opportunity to continue to

serve you. May God bless America.

-Alan R. Lambert

As Your Mayor, Al Lambert will seek State and Federal resources to protect and assist our people from potential disasters at the

will find highly qualified personnel who will serve our people - all our, people - with respect and courtesy.

will utilize existing resources to bring shopping and retail services to Romulus.

will work to bring recreation to our city.

will actively pursue and assist in attracting a grocery store to Romulus. will keep our city clean and enforce our ordinances fairly.

will update the city's Master Plan and establish short- and long-term goals for the community. will serve all the people of Romulus - all of the time!

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How sweet it is as three smiling members of the First Congregation Church stir up syrup for candy.

First Congregational hosts 55th annual church fair

Thursday, Nov. 8, and Friday,

Church of Wayne will present its early holiday shoppers, as well 55th annual Church Fair on as homemade lunches and dinners. Lunch is served from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m., and dinner, at There will be a wide assort- \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for chil-

The First Congregational ment of gifts available for the dren, is available from 5 until 7

The First Congregational Church of Wayne is located at 2 Town Square in Wayne. Call 734-729-7550 for more information.

Wayne PP&K winners announced

It is never too late to honor or write about champs.

And there are four Pass, Punt & Kick champs in Wayne who are worthy of recognition.

The Wayne Parks and Recreation Department announced the winners of the 2001 Michigan NFL-Gatorade Punt, Pass & Kick competition winners in each of the age-group categories.

There were 25 participants, competed in the popular event

The winner of the Boys 8-9 Division is Jeremy Brown, while the title for the Boys 10-11 age group went to Mike Harnos.

Recreation officials said that Mike Patrick Brown was the top performer in the Boys 12-13 age

There was also an 8-9 Girls Division. The PP&K crown went to the competitors enjoyed the com-



Pictured above are the divisional age-group champs in the 2001 city of Wayne's Punt, Pass & Kick competitions. From left to right, first ranging in ages from 8 to 13, who row are Jeremy Brown, the Boys 8-9 Division champ; Avalon Felan, the 8-9 Girls' Division winner; and Mike Harnos, the 10-11 Boys Division winner. In the second row is Patrick Brown, the 12-13 age group winner.

Avalon Felan.

All of the local champs had an opportunity to compete in the Sectional Competition which was hosted by the city of Farmington Hills at Founders Park.

Recreation officials said that

petition and looked forward to a return engagement next year.

"We would like to thank all those who participated in this year's Michigan NFL-Gatorade Punt, Pass & Kick competitions and wish the winners all the suc-

Wayne Library offers adoption program

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

If adoption is on your mind, you may want to attend an informational workshop scheduled for 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 29, at the Wayne Public Library, 3737 South Wayne Road.

Meridian continued from A-1 Wayne

velopment Authority). Wayne's DDA has one success story after another, and we have to thank people like Damitio for that.

"And to criticize McEachern is ludicrous. Is there a woman is this. city that has done as much for this city as Mrs. McEachern? I don't think so. She gives freely of her time, spends hours of volunteering, and maintains a schedule that most of us would fall apart to keep.

"Union? Her husband and her son are both diehard union people.," says Garrett. "She has always supported those projects that would better the lives of our citizens. What else can one ask for?"

An interesting reaction, folks.

"Yes, it is, and I hope and pray that when the voters go to the polls on Tuesday, they remember these people who have done so much and are ready to work for you and, yes, even the Mr. Blackwells of the world."

See you at the polls on Tuesday, folks.

There is no registration fee.

The workshop will afford prospective parents an opportunity to obtain pertinent information about the search process, the new confidential intermediary system, while also giving one an insight into the importance of identity, the emotions involved and the growth experiences of those affixed by

adoption. Families, friends, and professional touched by adoption are invited to attend.

For more information, contact Dave Otzman at AIM of Michigan. The number is 734-397-4175.

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Abdul "Al" Haidous

- Mayor of Wayne -November 6, 2001



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Fire Chief Dahlman completes **National Fire Academy course**

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Seeking to expand his knowledge of fire fighting and managerial skills, Wayne Fire Chief Rob Dahlman attended and completed the National Fire Academy's Fire Financial Management course in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

The FSFM course focuses on the techniques necessary to effectively prepare, justify, and manage a fire department operating bud-

get and financial system. The course also helps develop planning, presentation, funding and implementing a budget, as well as the inter-relationships and results and the analytical approach to the process.

"It was very informative and provided me with a broader knowledge of what it entails to do the job as an administrator," Chief Dahlman later pointed out.

Through the programs offered by the United States Fire Administration's National Fire Academy and the Emergency Management Institute, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) promotes the professional development of the nation's emergency professionals.

FEMA's training goals are to enhance the capability at the community level, and to better prepare for emergencies by improving technical competence and public policy perspective of key emergency managers and staff.

Tribute to police, firemen

Local and area residents are invited to participate in a "Tribute to the New York Police and Fire Departments" which will be held between 4 p.m. until 2 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 4, at the Wayne Road Pub, 1870 Wayne Road, between Palmer and Michigan Avenue.

the New York Police and Fire Fighters' Fund.

On stage, in person, will be popular entertainer Gino Washington.

Also performing will be live bands including the following

All proceeds will be donated to groups: Bonnie Rockets, Trademark Orange, Incurables, Black Sundays, Benny and The Jets, Crossover, Chick-N-Cats and

> There is a \$2 cover charge and also there will be free hot dogs, raffles and door prizes.

Future thespians, attention

Registration is presently being young adults, ages 13 to 18. accepted at the Wayne Community Center for the Stage IV Youth Theatre classes. Classes are scheduled to begin the first week of December.

The program is geared toward The culmination of the course fea-

Classes will be directed by Tracy Spada and will take place 1:30 a.m. until noon Saturday mornings. The classes begin Dec. 1 and are ongoing until Feb. 17, 2002. tures a full-stage performance by the students.

Registration is \$100 for residents, and \$125 for non-residents. For further information, please contact the Wayne Parks and Rec. Department at 734-721-7400.

NOTICE OF REGULAR ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2001 CITY OF WAYNE STATE OF MICHIGAN

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WAYNE:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a regular election will be held in the City of Wayne, State of Michigan, on Tuesday, November 6, 2001 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. prevailing Eastern Time, for the purpose of electing three (3) City Councilmembers, one (1) Mayor and to vote on one (1) proposal. The Clerk's Office will be open on Saturday, November 3, 2001, from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., for the purpose of receiving applications for absentee ballots.

The following proposal shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Wayne, at the regular election to be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2001:

WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the Wayne County Community College District be increased by one dollar and fifty cents per thousand dollars (1.5 mills) of the taxable value of all taxable property in the College District for a period of ten (10) years, 2001 to 2010, inclusive, as new additional millage to provide funds for all community college purposes authorized by law? It is estimated that 1.5 mills would raise approximately \$32,349,210 when first levied in

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the following statement has been received from the County Treasurer of the County of Wayne as to previously voted increases in the constitutional tax rate limitation affecting taxable property in the Community College District, to wit:

"I Raymond J. Wojtowicz, County Treasurer of the County of Wayne, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that according to the records in my office, as of September 25, 2001, the total of all voted increases in the tax rate limitation above the 18 mills established by Section 6 of Article IX of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 affecting taxable property in the Wayne County Community College District, in said County, is as fol-

Voted

Local Unit	Election	Increase	Effective
County of Warran	4 . 0 2000	A SHIP STORY	V
County of Wayne	August 8, 2000	1 mill	2001 thru 2009
Wayne County Regional	August 6, 1974	1 mill	2001 indefinitely
Educational Service			
Agency	November 8, 1988	1 mill	2001 indefinitely
Wayne County Jail	August 4, 1998	I mill	2001 thru 2001
Wayne County Parks	August 8, 2000	.25 mills	2001 thru 2005
Wayne County			
Community College	November 3, 1998	1 mill	2001 thru 2004
Wayne-Westland Comm	June 12, 1995	18 mills	2001 thru 2010 inclusive
School District			

Date of

Dated: October 2, 2001

Signed: Raymond J. Wojtowicz Wayne County Treasurer

Years Increase

Each person voting in the election must be:

A citizen of the United States of America over eighteen (18) year of age; A registered elector of the city or township in which he or she resides.

The places of voting for the regular election to be held on November 6, 2001, will be as follows:

The places of voting are as follows:

Precinct 1 and 2 Precinct 4 and 5 Precinct 6 and 7 Precinct 8

Roosevelt School, 36075 Currier Street

Taft School, 4035 Gloria Street

Hoover School, 5400 Fourth Street

WMHS Alumni Arena, 3001 Fourth Street

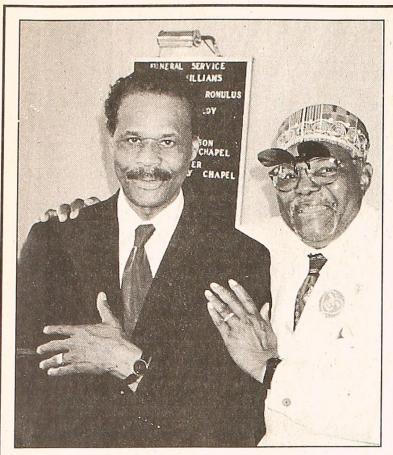
This Notice is given by order of the City of Wayne, State of Michigan.

City Clerk City of Wayne, Michigan Date: October 19, 2001

Mary E. Carney

Publish: October 25, 2001

November 1, 2001



Fond Farewell

For more than 20 years, David Perkins, at right, with James Penn, Funeral Director of Penn Funeral Home, has faithfully worked the night shift at the local funeral home. Oftimes, Perkins was the first to hear of the death of a loved one. Rain or shine - sleet or snow - Perkins was on duty answering the phones. Well, everything must come to an end.. Recently, Perkins decided that he would relinquish his duties and bid farewell. A celebration was held in his honor, and the fete was hosted by the Penn family. He has not disclosed his future plans, but this isn't his first "retirement". Perkins retired from the Ford Motor Company after working for the auto-manufacturer for more than 25 years. Best wishes and a healthy future. Photo by Theola Jones.

Fund-raisers, charity events Top Ladies' agenda

The members of the Top busy summer and are looking forward to an even more busier fall.

The Ladies have completed Hawthorne Valley Country Club. The newly-renovated club is located at 7300 N. Merriman Road.

The program will include dinner, dancing and a silent auction.

Proceeds from the Charity Gala will be donated to the NAACP, Children's Defense Fund, Inkster Goodfellows and UNCF.

Donation is \$35 per person. For further information, please contact 313-562-7960 or call 734-595-1306.

planned several activities in the community during the upcoming seniors at Thompson Towers for a Cider Sip, and are planning a visit to the DMC Family Center in December.

Members pay monthly visits to the Wayne County Family Center.

New officers were also recently installed by the organizations.

Ernestine Williams will serve as president.

November 12, 2001:

City Clerk's Office

2121 Inkster Road

Inkster, MI 48141

Monday-Friday

8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

City of Inkster

Top Teens of America also has Ladies of Distinction, Inc., Michi- a new president. She's Ryan Cargan Metro Chapter have had a nell, an energetic, talented young lady with diversified abilities.

Carnell also noted that the group is seeking new members. If their plans for their annual Chari- you are between the ages of 13 ty Gala. The event will be staged and 17, a high school student, inat 7 p.m. on Nov. 17 at the terested in community activities and also want to have fun helping others, contact Williams at 313-.274-3141.

Finally, the Inkster Parks and Recreation Commission recognized the Top Ladies of Distinction for the group's generous contributions to the Parks and Recreation Department's programs. A special note of thanks was offered to Top Ladies for their efforts in 2001 to beautify the landscape outside and caring for the plants Also the Top Ladies have inside the Booker T. Dozier Recreation Complex.

Ladies who were in attendance months They have also visited the included: Ernestine Williams, president; Norena Lumpkin-Knox, Mistress of Ceremony; Wanda Harris-Foster, Mayor Pro Tem of Inkster City Council and Janet

> Others in attendance were Norma McDaniel, Willa Williams, Theola Jones, Aldrene Solomon, Sarah Young and Gloria Alexan-

CITY OF INKSTER, WAYNE COUNTY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE

CITY OF INKSTER'S NEW ZONING CODE

The City of Inkster's Planning Commission will be reviewing and possibly adopting a proposed new zoning code for

the City of Inkster. The Planning Commission invites interested parties to attend a public hearing scheduled for

Monday, November 12, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. at the Booker T. Dozier Recreation Complex, 2025 Middlebelt Road, Inkster,

City of Inkster

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Inkster, MI 48141

Leanna Hicks Library,

Long lines Ex-councilman irked at utility service

It seems that you can't even pay your bills without standing in long lines these days.

At least one resident, Willie Johnson, a former member of the Inkster City Council, is lodging his complaint over the lines at the Edison and MichCon gas offices in Dearborn.

"We can't pay these bills here in our city, so we have to go to Dearborn to do so,"

Johnson said on Monday dur-

ing a telephone interview. "I want- Trade Center and on the Pentagon ed to pay my Edison and my Mich-Con (gas) bills, so I went to the Dearborn offices of those companies, and would you believe that the lines were around the building?

"It's incredible., and I wish someone would do something about it."

Johnson said that he doesn't believe that the long lines have anything to do with the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorists' attacks on the World

an essay or poster-coloring con-

son Public Schools.

in Washington D. C. But he does believe that the utility companies are trying to maximize their profits and have laid off people to do so.

"Staying outside a building and waiting to pay bills when it's raining and you have winds gusting up to 30 miles an hour isn't fun," added Johnson. "In fact, it's inhu-

would send a message to those phone calls.

people that service is all-important, and I think if they continue to rile up the citizenry, there is going to be a lot of complaints."

Johnson had a recommendation to solve the problem. He said the "easiest way to resolve this problem is for the utility companies to hire - or rehire - the people they have laid off."

The utility people did not re-"I would hope that someone spond to MCN Staff Writers'

Weed & Seed wraps up 'Red Ribbon Week"

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

In their never-ending quest to make children aware of the dangers and health-risks involving the use of illegal drugs, Inkster Weed & Seed held its annual "Red Ribbon Week' last week.

"The purpose of Red Ribbon Week is to present a unified and visible commitment toward the creation of a drug-fee America," stressed M. Jeannie Fields, Executive director of Inkster Weed & Seed.

Fields pointed out that Red Ribbon Week is designed to create awareness concerning the problems related to the use of drugs; support community drug prevention education efforts and encourage anti-drug activities and programs to promote a safe, drugfree society for the youth of America.

During the past week, Inkster Weed & Seed, in collaboration with the Michigan Metro Girl

Starfish to host an 'Open House'

Officials at the Inkster-based Starfish Family Services announced this week that they will be hosting a "Community Open House" in mid-November.

The purpose of the open house "is to provide local and area residents an opportunity to visit the facility as well as learn about the services that the agency provides."

There will be tours, music and refreshments, Starfish Family Services' staff added.

The Open House will be staged from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 15, at the Starfish Family Services building, 30000 Hiveley Avenue in Inkster.

Officials also stressed that if you plan to attend the open house that they would like you to preregister by calling 734-727-3102.

"We'd like citizens to meet our staff, and see how we're creating bright futures for tomorrow's children," Starfish Family Services officials added.

County Family Independence semblies in which law enforce-Agency, hosted several informa- ment officials addressed them on tive programs at the Inkster-Edithe importance of staying drug-Students in each of the school Weed & Seed is a federallydistrict's schools also took part in funded program in which commu-

Scout Council, and the Wayne test. Children also attended as- (weed) drug and crime activity on the streets and in their neighborhoods and replace them with positive programs (seed).

> The culmination of the weeklong program was marked by a drug prevention rally staged at Inkster High School.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2001 CITY OF INKSTER STATE OF MICHIGAN

nities are taught how to eliminate

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF INKSTER:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held in the City of Inkster, State of Michigan, on Tuesday, November 6, 2001, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. prevailing

The following proposal shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Inkster at the special election to be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2001:

WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the Wayne County Community College District be increased by one dollar and fifty cents per thousand dollars (1.5 mills) of the taxable value of all taxable property in the College District for a period of ten (10) years, 2001 to 2010, inclusive, as new additional millage to provide funds for all community college purposes authorized by law? It is estimated that 1.5 mills would raise approximately \$32,349,210 when first levied in 2001.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the following statement has been received from the County Treasurer of the County of Wayne as to previously voted increases in the constitutional tax rate limitation affecting taxable property in the Community College District, to wit:

"I, Raymond J. Wojtowicz, County Treasurer of the County of Wayne, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that according to the records in my office, as of September 25, 2001, the total of all voted increases in the tax rate limitation above the 18 mills established by Section 6 of Article IX of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 affecting taxable property in the Wayne County Community College District, in said County, is as follows:

Local Unit	Date of Election	Increases	Increases Effective
County of Wayne	August 8, 2000	1 mill	2001 thru 2009
Wayne County Regional	August 6, 1974	1 mill	2001 indefinitely
Educational ServiceAgency	November 8, 1988	1 mill	2001 indefinitely
Wayne County Jail	August 4, 1998	1 mill	2001 thru 2001
Wayne County Parks	August 8, 2000	.25 mills	2001 thru 2005
Wayne County			
Community College	November 3, 1998	1 mill	2001 thru 2004
City of Inkster	June 10, 1996	18 milis	2001 thru 2005 Inclusive
School District			
Taylor School District	March 23, 1998	18 mills	2001 thru 2003 Inclusive
Wayne-Westland Comm	June 12, 1995	18 mills	2001 thru 2010 Inclusive
School District			
Westwood Community	June 8, 1998	18 mills	2001 thru 2014 Inclusive
School District			

Signed: RAYMOND J. WOJTOWICZ Wayne County Treasurer

Date: October 2, 2001

Each person voting in the election must be:

A citizen of the United States of Ameni ca over eighteen (18) years of age; A registered elector of the city or township in which he or she resides. (b)

The places of voting for the special election to be held on November 6, 2001, will be as follows:

CITY OF INKSTER POLLING PLACE LOCATIONS

Precinct 1 - Baylor-Woodson Complex - 29115 Carlysle Precinct 2 - Baylor-Woodson Complex - 29115 Carlysle

DISTRICT 2:

Precinct 1 - Recreation Complex (Gymnasium) - 2025 Middlebelt Precinct 2 - Recreation Complex (Gymnasium) - 2025 Middlebelt Precinct 3 - Chateau Cherry Hill - 213 Henry Ruff (Residents Only)

DISTRICT 3:

Precinct 1 - Smith Chapel A.M.E. Church - 3505 Walnut Precinct 2 - Department of Public Service - 26900 Princeton Precinct 3 - Demby Community Center - 4360 Hickory

Precinct 4 - F. L. Peterson Academy - 4000 Sylvia Precinct 5 - Thompson Towers - 27727 Michigan Avenue (Residents Only)

DISTRICT 4: Precinct 1 - Hicks School - 100 Helen

Precinct 2 - St. Norberts School - 27335 Woodsfield Precinct 3 - St. Norberts Social Hall - 27335 Woodsfield

DISTRICT 5: Precinct 1 - Pilgrims Travelers Missionary Baptist Church - 2945 John Daly

Precinct 2 - Tomlinson School - 25912 Annapolis

DISTRICT 6: Precinct 1 - Twin Towers - 2000 Inkster Road

Precinct 2 - Daly School - 25824 Michigan Avenue

This Notice is given by order of the City of Inkster, State of Michigan.

Kimberly Turner, City Clerk, City of Inkster, Michigan

November 1, 2001

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DISTRICT 1:

Local I

The proposed new zoning code will be available for review at the following locations from October 25, 2001 through City of Inkster

> Booker T. Dozier Recreation Complex 2025 Middlebelt Road Inkster, MI 48141

Monday-Thursday 1:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Friday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Public comments are invited. Persons unable to attend the public meeting may send their comments in writing to the attention of the City of Inkster Community Development Department, 2121 Inkster Road, Inkster, Michigan 48141. Comments will be received through 12:00 noon, November 12, 2001.

The City of Inkster will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the public hearing, to individuals with disabilities upon five (5) business days written notice. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should con-

tact the City of Inkster at (313)563-3211. Richard Wooten, Director

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Planning and Economic Develpment

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and a couple of small independents. I've called the attorney that works for the Conway's and told him that anything the city can do that's legal, we'll do to encourage somebody to come back into that facility. It's easy to point the finger at blaming somebody else, but the bottom line is Swaney closed the store because he wasn't making any money.

Ann: I understand when the city was re-doing the streets and sidewalks over there that that affected his customer base. That they were not able to come in and shop because of the disruption, so he lost a lot customers, he lost a lot of money at that point ... was there a point ever when the administration decided well we've affected your livelihood here, so we're going to offer some compensation to you as a result of having

Mayor: No, No, first thing, you've gotta understand there's limit to what city taxes can be used for and it's not to subsidize people's business. That's not what taxes are for.

his business to lose money ...

say that ... I didn't cause it, because that project was there and I got it thrown in my face when I got

Ann: What is Spartan's telling you? Are they interested?

Mayor: Not at this time.

Ann: So, that's not a good location anyway for something large. People in Romulus need a supermarket, they're shopping in Taylor, they're shopping in Belleville, they're going to Dearborn ...

Mayor: Let me interrupt you, let me interrupt you. Nobody retail in Romulus better than I do. dealers, a department store, a gro- employer (in the area).

cery store, and the whole bit. Unfortunately, the malls started coming in all around us and the citizens started going to malls, instead of their own down home shopping. That's what I think is the reason we don't have all that stuff anymore.

Mike: What happened to Tanger?

Mayor: All I can you about that is my suspicions. They came to a public hearing, we had 60 people in the audience and not one person objected to their project. After the public hearing, I walked over to the guys from Carolina and I said you never had one like this before did you?

He said what do you mean? This crowd here and not one objection. No, he said this was pretty good. That's the last time I think they were ever in Romulus. The next thing I heard they weren't coming to Romulus. I called them up. I said 'Kevin, what do I have to do to get you back here?' He said 'mayor, you just don't have enough rooftops.

Mike: Let's switch to your vi-Ann: Yeah, but if you caused sion - if you're elected mayor again for another four years -Mayor: Well, it's nice that you what's your vision - what would you like to get done in the next four years?

Mayor: I would like to get a retail development on the south side of Wick Road, at Vining and I-94. I'd like to get a retail started there.

Mike: You mean a strip mall?

Mayor: No, not a strip mall, because that's what we have on Wayne Road now, 5 or 6 stores is called a strip mall. Something a little more than that. That's what I'd like to see. And I firmly believe that if we get that Wayne Road will develop into retail stuff knows how bad we'd like to have restaurants and whatever. See, what most people don't under-I've preached it all the time. I stand and so far the retailers lived there when we had two car haven't that airport is the biggest

VOTE Nov. 6th

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ROMULUS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS ADVERTISEMENT TO BID

- Barton Malow Company, requests bids on behalf of Romulus Community Schools for the Romulus Elementary Schools and Junior High School Remodeling work for Bid Package No. 8. Bid proposals will be received by Romulus Community Schools, 36540 Grant Road, Romulus, MI 48174, delivery or mail, to the attention of Mr. William Routhier by 2:00 p.m. local time on November 19th, 2001.
- Proposals shall be prepared in accordance with the Project Manual dated June 25, 2001 by the Barton Malow Company and contract and construction documents prepared by the Architect dated June 25, 2001 for:

BID PACKAGE NO. 8 - ROMULUS ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS AND JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL REMODELING

- 02070 Demolition
- 06000 General Trades • 08500 Glass and Glazing
- 10600 Toilet Compartments
- 15050 Mechanical
- 16050 Electrical
- A pre-bid conference and site visit/tour will be held for all trades at Barton Malow Company's jobsite office located at: 9650 S. Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 on November 1, 2001 at 10:00 a.m.
- A refundable deposit of \$50.00 per document set is required. Deposit checks should be made payable to the Barton Malow Company. Bidders shall provide their shipper number for shipping fees if the bidder desires to have plans sent by ground or air transportation. More than one set is available upon payment of printing and shipping costs. Deposits will be refunded upon return of the bid documents to the Barton Malow Company within twenty (20) days after opening of proposals provided the documents are complete, in clean and usable condition, and free of marks or other defacements.
- Bidding documents can be obtained from Barton MalowCompany at the Romulus Community Schools field office located at: 9650 S. Wayne Rd., Romulus MI 48174, phone (734) 941-0869, fax: (734) 941-1278

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Experience vs. Enthusiasm 13 council candidates

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(7) Continue to fight against dangers like the deep injection

Michael A. Prybyla - has lived in this community for more than 35 years. He has served on city council since 1993.

The Prybyla Platform -(1) Hire new firefighters

- (2) Enlarge and improve Elmer Johnson Park
- (3) Encourage a committee to plan and locate a site for a recre-
- ation center (4) Encourage retail development
- Provide a public golf course to generate revenue
- (6) Build a new city hall
- (7) Build a new library

- (8) Lower city taxes
- (9) Improve relationship between the school board and the city of Romulus
- (10) Encourage housing development
- (11) Encourage city improvements - Kingsley House, downtown road improvements, signs, lighting, benches
- (12) Improve Byrd House for historic value. When finished this building could provide
- meeting rooms for groups and organizations, seminars and education

Debbie Romak - was first elected to council in 1995, and then again in 1997.

The Romak Platform -

- (1) Bring more residential and retail development to Romulus
- (2) Bring more senior citizen housing to the community as the senior population grows
- (3) Begin to use TIFA for sportsplex and senior centers
- (4) Dissolve some inactive Industrial Development Districts to
- control tax abatements (5) Return property tax more quickly
- (6) Continue soundproofing program
- (7) Demand higher building
- standards from developers
- (8) More creative zoning that will better buffer residential area
- (9) Create and reserve open

space areas for more parks

William Wadsworth - has served as a member of city council for 18 years

The Wadsworth Platform -

- (1) Continued growth of single family homes
- (2) Romulus youth to attend local schools
- (3) Wants to see continued
- paving of roads (4) Opponent of city tax increas-
- (5) Opponent of deep well pro-
- (6) Build a new animal shelter
- (7) Re-open a downtown super-
- (8) Complete Wick Road Metro World Development

RE-ELECT Re-Elect for William CROVA Romulus **City Council** Dear Citizens of Romulus,



Thank you for electing me in 1995 to serve on the Romulus City Council.

I have lived in Romulus all of my life and have been actively involved with many civic and charitable organizations. As a Romulus property owner, tax-payer, business owner, husband, parent, and involved citizen, I am aware of the important issues facing our community. It would be my privilege to serve you on the Romulus City Council and I would appreciate your vote.

Thank You, Bill Crova

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Donald R. Morris Romulus City Council



Nov. 6, 2001 0000000

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL HELD OCTOBER 8, 2001 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ROMULUS CITY HALL 11111 S. WAYNE ROAD, ROMULUS, MICHIGAN 48714.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Randolph Gear, Mayor Pro Tem

LeRoy D. Burcroff, William A. Crova, Randolph Gear, Donald Morris, Michael Prybyla, Debbie

Romak, William Wadsworth

Absent: None Excused: None

Present:

Administrative Officials in Attendance: William M. Oakley, Mayor Linda R. Choate, Clerk Pamela Kersey, Treasurer

1. Motion by Romak, supported by Burcroff to accept the agenda as

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-351

2A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-352

3A. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Morris to concur with the request of the petitioner, Kerr Corporation, 28200 Wick Road and grant a seven (7) year tax abatement on Two Million, Nine Hundred and Fifty Seven Thousand, Three Hundred and Twenty Dollars (\$2,957,320.00) in real property and One Million, Six Hundred and Fifty Four Thousand, Seven Hundred and Eighty One Dollars (\$1,654,781.00) in personal property for a total of Four Million, Six Hundred and Twelve Thousand, One Hundred and One Dollars (\$4,612,101.00) to expire on December 31, 2008.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Wadsworth. Nays - Romak. Motion Carried.

3B. Item deleted at petitioners request.

3C. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to concur with the request from Elro Corporation and grant final preliminary plat approval for the Commons Subdivision No. 2.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-354

3D1. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Romak to remove from the table the request from Ms. Carol Irvine to be appointed as Successor Personal Representative Intestate for deceased licensee Charles L. Irvine in 2000 SDM licensed business located at 30881 Ecorse

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-355

3D2. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Wadsworth to approve the request from Ms. Carol Irvine to be appointed as Successor Personal Representative Intestate for deceased licensee Charles L. Irvine in 2000 SDM licensed business located at 30881 Ecorse Road. This establishment is commonly known as the Metro Dairy Bar.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-356 4A. Motion by Romak, supported by Wadsworth to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Dale T. Stepchuk.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Motion by Crova, supported by Romak to accept the Chairperson's Report. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris,

Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

5A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Burcroff to award Bid 01/02-15 to the low bidder Red Holman GMC in the amount of

\$20,592.00 for the purchase of one eight passenger vans for the Romulus Police Department.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-358

5B. Motion by Crova, supported by Burcroff to award Bid 01/02-17 to Re-Nu Electric Company in the amount of \$4,449.00 for the purchase of industrial steel shelving for the Department of Public

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-359

5C. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Crova to award Bid 01/02-20 to the low bidder PK Contracting in the amount of \$26,696.00 for

major and local street pavement marking. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-360 5D. Motion by Morris, supported by Romak to authorize the purchase from West Shores Services in the amount of \$32,489.00 for the purchase of two (2) emergency sirens. Further, to enter into an agreement with Detroit Edison for installation of a transformer in the vicinity of Beverly and Cogswell Roads in the amount of

\$1,356.33. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-361

5E. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Burcroff to approve the Second Amendment to the Purchase and Development Agreement between the City of Romulus and Highland Development Co., L.L.C. A copy in its entirety is on file in the City Clerk's office. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

5F. No action taken.

Councilman Wadsworth excused at 8:35 p.m.

01-362 11. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to grant authorization for payment of Warrant 01-19 in the grand total amount of Five Hundred and Twenty One Thousand, Seven Hundred and Sixty Dollars and Eighty Four Cents (\$521,760.84).

Prybyla, Romak. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 12. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to adjourn the regular

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris,

meeting of the Romulus City Council. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris,

Prybyla, Romak. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

I, Linda R. Choate, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held October 8, 2001.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

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